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1981 September 30 I became
Mrs. Venus Florence Gotham

Lunch break. Billy Burton, Donna Green, and Mike Jones anticipate government questions for a fifth period test.



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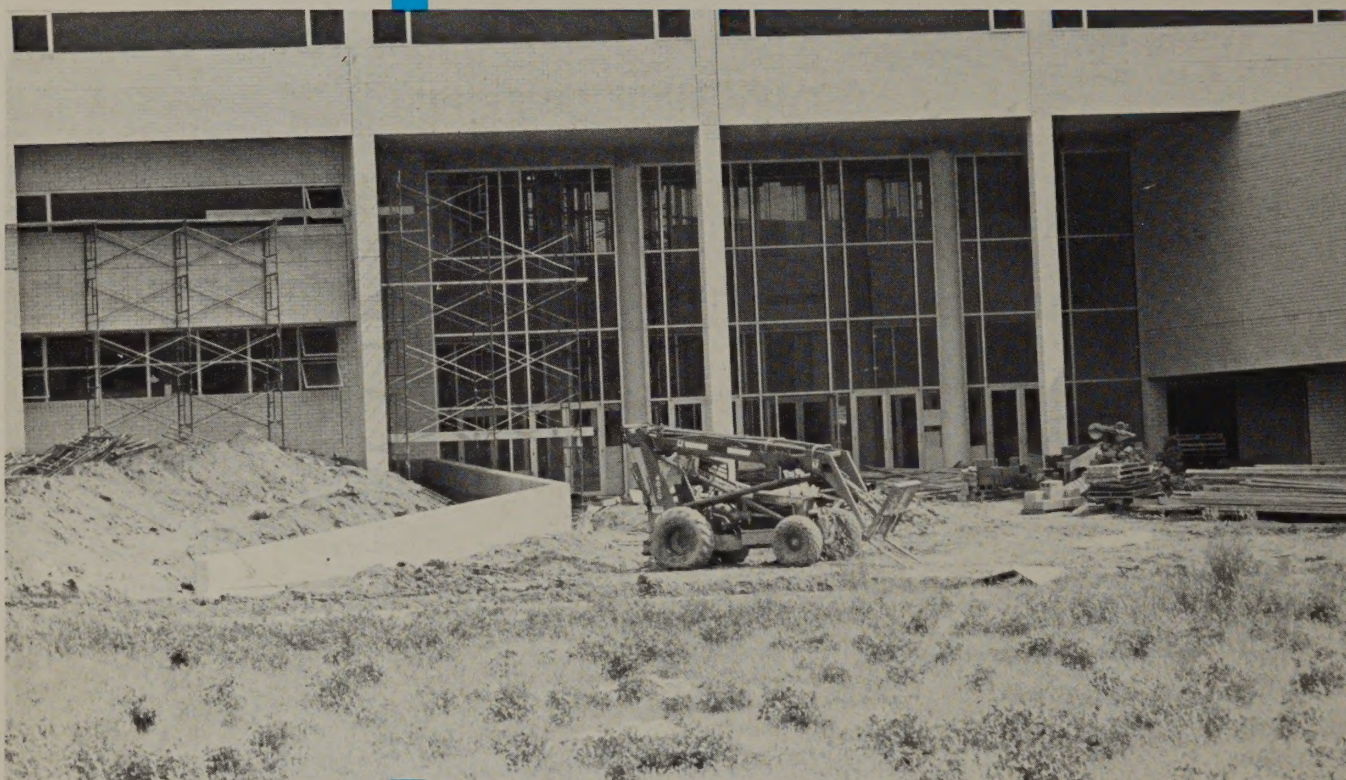
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**More
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The last year

Actually, it was obvious to almost everyone. Anyone who took driver's ed. or ran track always saw bulldozers tearing up the grounds in front of the great white structure. The magnitude and promise of the new school seemed to overshadow the old senior high in its last year. Or did it?

Unfinished giant. Within sight of the present school is the new HCSH, opening in September.



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Spanish treat. Local students and friends they met on the trip load luggage on the bus that will take them to Madrid during their spring break trip.

First time. Soccer was new but Hamid Mazuji and Dirk Martin (in Comet blue) took to the sport eagerly as in this match against Lynchburg Christian School.



Float winner. ICT students admire their club's float which went on to win first place in the float competition at Homecoming.

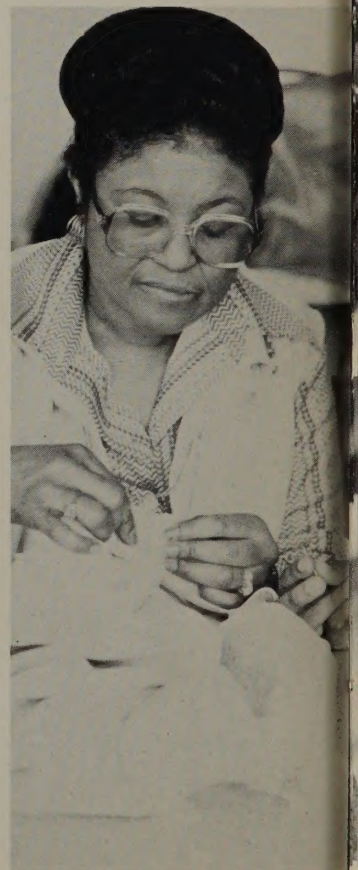
Last fling. At prom's end and wrapped in decorations, Jane Brandon and her date Hugh Carr leave the building, tired but happy.





Varied emotions. Cast members of the one-act play "The Choir" express what goes on in the minds of singers while they are in a church choir.

Two historians. Kim Allen and Wanda Loftis review DE's yearly activities at the club's annual banquet honoring employers.



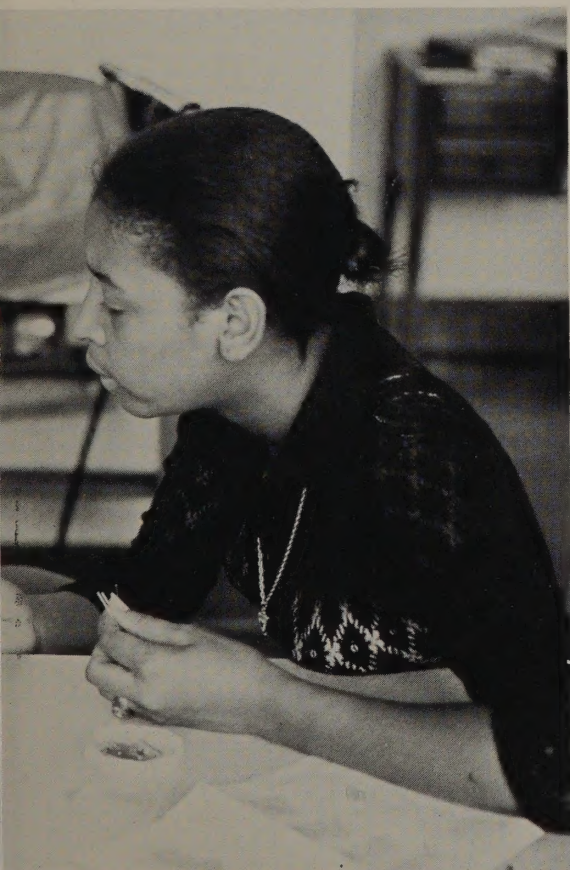
Foul play. The referee calls a penalty on the downed Glass player after he fouled Lawrence Ferrell.

Child's play. Fifties Day gave Sharon Strange a chance to dress like an elementary student.



The new building didn't overshadow the year's events. Having a soccer team was new, as were the tennis courts. DECA and VICA kept rolling along as usual. The football team had its best season in years and the JV boys' basketball team won the championship in their district.

Events not overshadowed



Parade clown. At the Homecoming parade Robyn Crews was one of the Drama Club members acting as clowns.

Sewing tips. Mrs. Mildred Yancey shows Valarie Harrison how to attach a gathered ruffle to a skirt.

Research time. The library is the place for Carla Scott and Alonzo Brandon to research English 10 topics.

First time. Competency tests were required of Robbie Simmons and all sophomores as a graduation criteria.



Rest time. Russell Logan takes a break from the SCA Walk-a-Thon, organized to raise money for the new school's lobby fund.

Lunch time. The front lawn during the lunch break on warm days has always been a gathering place for talking, studying, even dancing.

There was still a lot going on in the old senior high. Learning went on; the SCA had a walk-a-thon; sophomores took competency tests for the first time; the prom, decked out in blue and white, was a success and people always gathered on the lawn at lunch. For some, it was just another year; but for most, it was a new "high," especially for the seniors in "their year." So, you see, it was more than a goodbye year.

More than a goodbye year



Pampered Comet. As a Blue Comet football player, Lucien Roberts gets a royal Latin Club ride in the Homecoming parade by Thomas Hall, Reggie Walton, Laura Abenes, Kathy Anderson and Ricky Lewis.





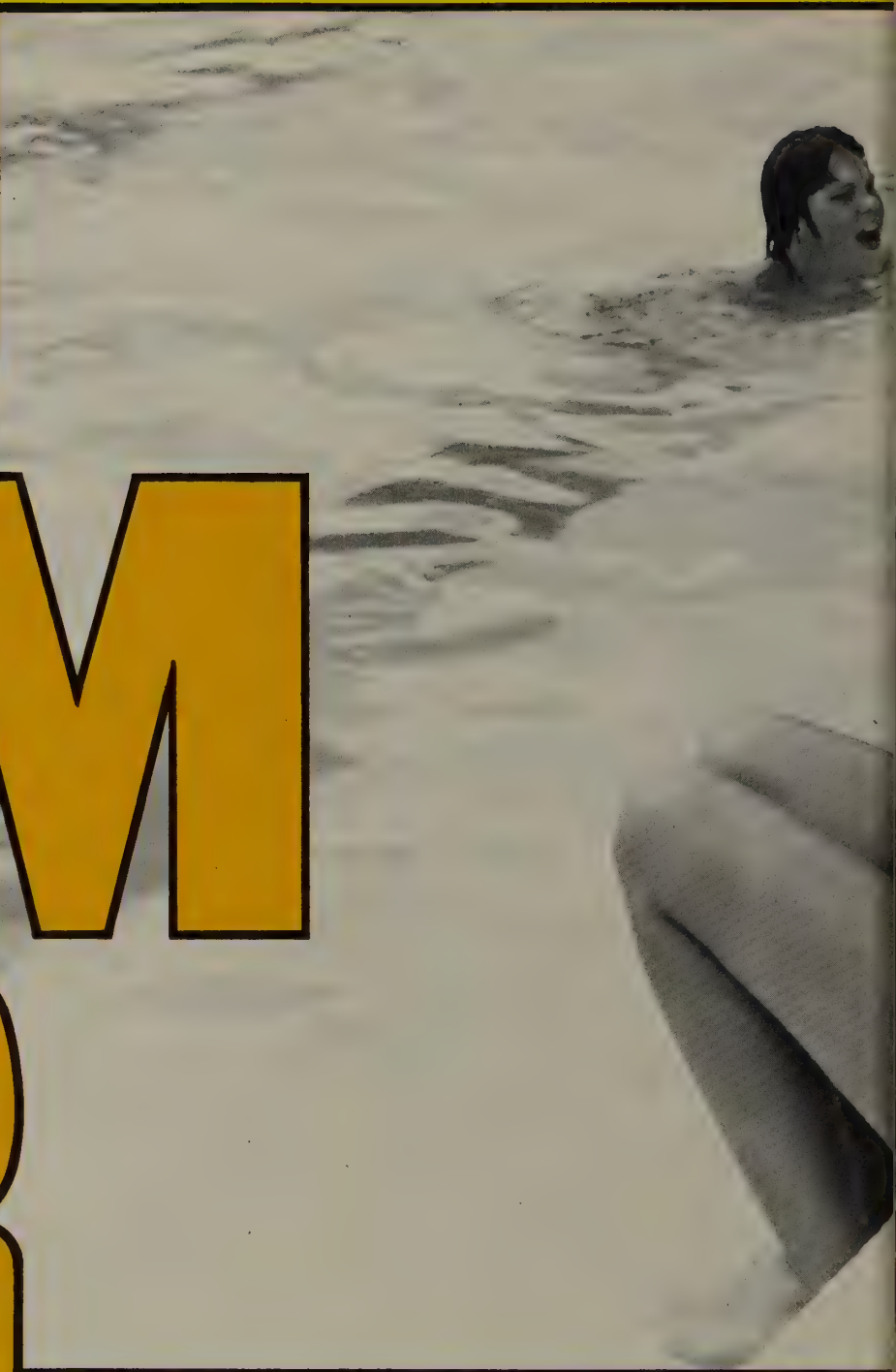
Student

Student life: it's what you remember most about school, now or 20 years from now. Brenda Burkholder being crowned Homecoming Queen, stashing your biology book in a friend's photo-plastered locker (never your own), snitching blue and white decorations at prom's end, meeting by the lobby Coke machine every morning before class to exchange the latest gossip. Excitement about the new school next year mounted; but, meantime, student life went on. It was more than a goodbye year.

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SUMMER



Beach visions replaced by algebra

No more days by the pool soaking up sun rays is a sad thought that enters students' minds as summer comes to an end. Visions of beaches drift from their minds as thoughts of Miss Brooks and her algebra problems begin to seep in and disturb the peacefulness.

The great challenging tennis matches of summer will cease as players have time to sit and rest their calloused feet. What about softball? Remember those terrific games with the ever-so-tight scores?

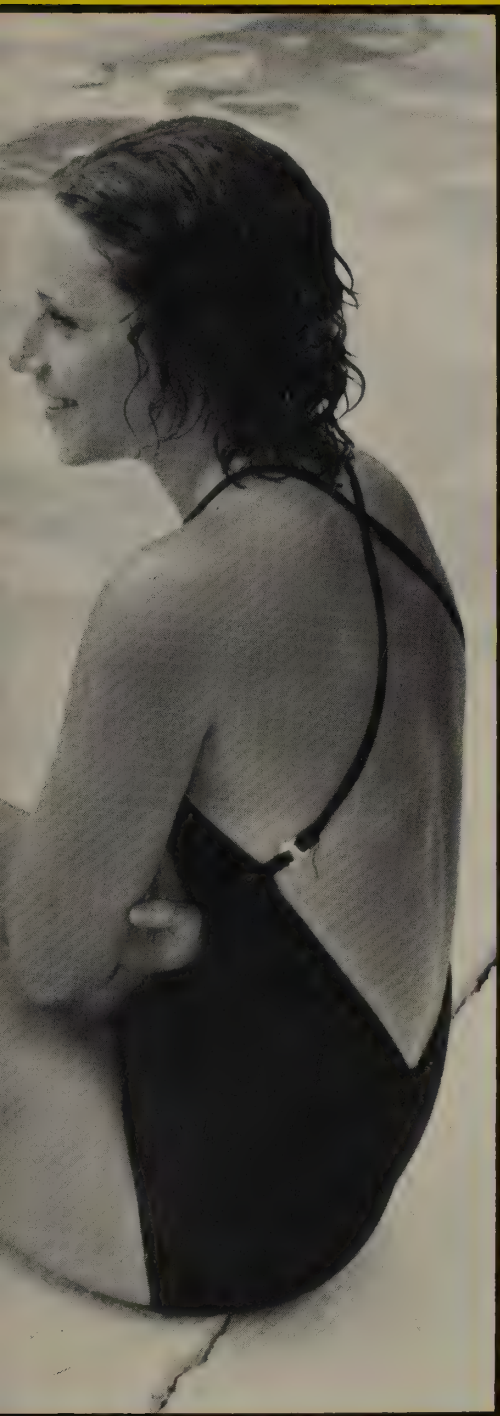
Oh yes, a favorite summer

pastime for students is sleeping late. Then a quick dash to the television set is in order to catch up on their favorite soap operas. What will happen to Mr. Brooks? Will his marriage to Jill last? Will Erica get away with her selfish schemes? The answers to those questions will linger in our minds and seem more important than answers to the questions at the end of Chapter One in the American history book.

Pulling tobacco, flipping hamburgers, mowing lawns and lifeguarding at the pool are

some of the jobs that will come to a halt. (Thank goodness those grim summer school days did end.) And those August band, football and cheerleading practices will yield to after-school sessions.

We will now awaken to the buzzing of alarm clocks as summer fades away. But there are compensations to look forward to: the rejoining of old friends and talking over exciting moments of the summer.

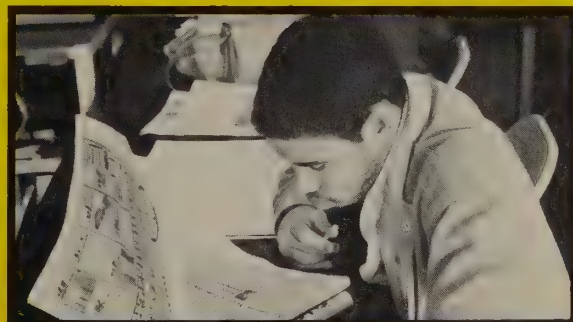


Cool lady. Lifeguard at the YMCA pool, Lisa Kipps finds her summer job keeps her refreshed and tan.



Breakfast shift. Missy Horton bags hundreds of sausage and steak biscuits on her summer job.

Friendly pose. Summertime without books and homework gives people like Kenny Garrett and Cindy Burns more time to see each other.



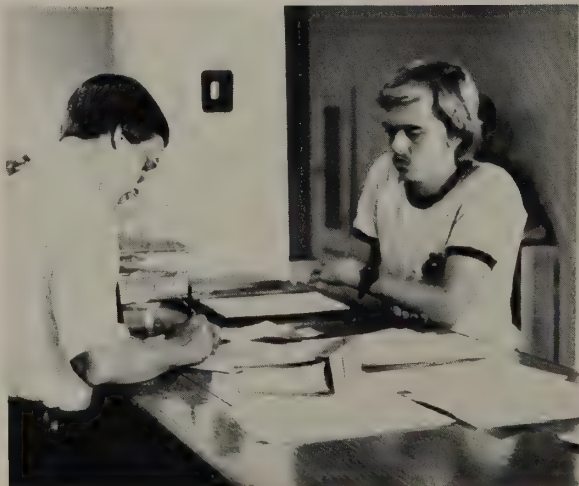
Current events. Hugh Wilkerson checks the morning paper for an article to complete his summer school assignment.

Yankee encouragement. One voice rings out at summer JV football practice. It belongs to the coach from the North, Mr. Mike Angelo.



Do's and don't's. On that first day Dr. L.M. Venable welcomed students for another year and outlined rules and regulations

Popular request. Schedule changes are inevitable and Assistant Principal Mr. Larry Clark tries to see what he can do for Tim Ridgeway.





Opening day tipoff

By Robin Hailey

Probably there were as many different reactions to the first day of school as there were different people present that day. For myself, it was a challenging experience.

The biggest challenge of the day was how to get out of that stuffy homeroom. Maybe to others their only reprieve was lunch, but not so to a battle scarred senior. I waited for my first chance.

It came. A public address announcement stated that all senior boys who had not taken I.D. pictures should be excused. I moved in for the kill. You see, I had already taken my picture. I felt like a new man when I walked out of homeroom. I strolled the halls for the next 40 minutes until a sudden thought struck. It was five minutes until lunch and I was free to go. What a nice feeling being the first in line for the 1978-79 season.

I was far from through.

Another P.A. announcement said, "The library will be open to students today." I could have hugged the intercom.

Since my homeroom teacher was also my English teacher, I made a connection. I asked Mrs. Doe (name changed to protect the innocent) if one of her book lists was in the library. It wasn't, but she lent me her very own personal copy. Delighted in my quick interest she made many suggestions for my first book report.

As soon as I was walking out the homeroom door, I waved my hall pass triumphantly. Straight away to "B" lunch I flew. Of course, afterwards I blazed a new trail in the hall and returned to homeroom just in time to fill out one more information form and pay all my fees.

After that first day, I had the impression that being a senior was going to be a lot of fun.

It was.



To the buses. After that long, hot first day spent mostly in homeroom, the bus ride home doesn't seem too bad.

Gossip time. Paedra Childress and Angela Garland find that one of the fun things to do that first day is to catch up on the summer's gossip.

Being together isn't paranoid

Morning spot. Just about every morning, Hugh Carr, Kip Carter and Jean Brandon claim their spot on the main floor landing.



Are the people of HCSH paranoid? As a psychologist studying group behavior in adolescents, I was sent (undercover, of course) to investigate the school.

Day 1: I walked down the lobby into an area with benches and a water fountain. At first I thought all the seats were taken, but then I spied a space at the end of one bench. I plopped down among the other guys and hoped to blend in with the crowd. I was soon discouraged, however. "Hey, who are you anyway?" one of the youths growled. "Everyone knows that this bench is for our group, and you're sitting in Mike's space!" Seeing another of the group restraining a guy

of football-player-sized proportions and saying to him, "Calm down, Mike." I mumbled hasty apologies and ran down the hall.

Taking a hasty refuge in a classroom, I was startled to see a group of girls already there. "Hey, who are you anyway?" one of them growled. Don't you know that our group always meets here before 8:45?" Muttering that I didn't know, I dashed out into the hall.

Things continued normally until lunch, one meal that I will never forget. I observed carefully how the students had scattered to different parts of the cafeteria, and I picked a few likely spots to sit down. At first I

just sat, but I received so many looks of disgust from my neighbor that I moved. "May I?" I asked as I pulled out a chair at the next table.

"Why, thank you," a voice behind me said and the girl it belonged to settled herself in my intended seat.

At the next table, I clarified myself. "May I sit here?" I said graciously.

"No," the guy said equally sweetly. "Joe always sits there."

I finally met with luck at the next table. "May I sit here?" I asked a timid-looking soul.

"Sure," she said.

"Are you sure it isn't saved for someone?" I asked.

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Two from "Grease." On "Fifties Day" Tim Humphries and Kathy Holt decided they would be John Travolta and Olivia Newton John.

Lunch talk. The front lawn during lunch break is a perfect time for Alma Dixon, Pam Coleman and Christine Hughes to discuss the morning's events.





Lawn play. In the spring Debbie Harris and Debra Lowery enjoy frisbee during lunch. When the weather is nice, students prefer the lawn to the lobby for their free moments.



Holiday elevation. Scott Parson and Thomas Chappell are just two of the "ballet dancers" in the Drama Club skit at the Christmas Assembly.

Psychologist reports that students are 'not paranoid'

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"Well, Jane usually sits there but she got mono yesterday."

"Never mind," I sighed.

An assembly was scheduled for fifth period, and I began to worry about where to sit.

I got to the gym early and picked out a seat in the center section. A nervous looking boy approached me and asked uneasily, "Hey, does Billy know you?"

I wasn't about to move again, so I said, "Sure."

"Well, that's a relief. I gotta keep this section reserved for our crowd. But if you know Billy, you're O.K."

I saw my "friend" from this morning approaching with his

friend Mike. "Here comes Billy and Mike," my companion said.

"Uh oh."

Here are my observations of the school:

1. Students groups together before and after school.
2. Students save seats in the lunch room, at assemblies, etc.
3. Students defend their group territory from invasion.

All of these things are perfectly normal for peer-conscious teens who feel they must conform. HCSH is not paranoid. Strange? Maybe.

Dance time. What better place than a dance for being together. Penny Ewell, Denoris Leigh and Linda Logan rock away.



Party time. In the cafeteria Dawn Yeatts, Kenny Martin and Philip Saunders celebrate Kenny's birthday.



Lobby time. Thomas Thaxton and Ivan Younger use the few minutes after lunch to check out the girls hurrying by on their way to class.



Free time. Before that first class begins, friends swap stories and even check on assignments while gathering in front of the building.

Catsup and lobby furniture

The SCA works so well that students forget it's around until they want some catsup for their cafeteria french fries

Perhaps one of the most overlooked, neglected and ignored clubs is the Student Cooperative Association. What is ironic about this is that the SCA may be considered "the" most important student organization in the school.

There is no logical answer to why the SCA is taken for granted. One possible answer could be that the SCA works so well that students are unaware it exists.

An example is the "catsup

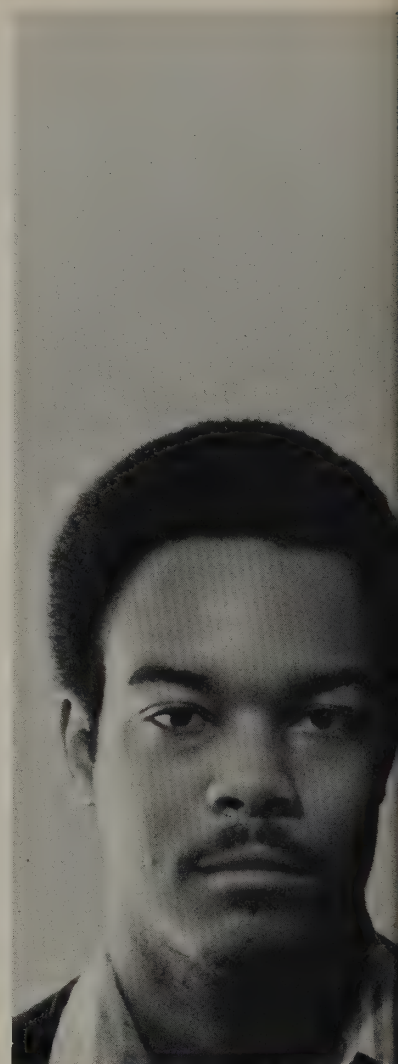
conflict." When the students complained about the lack of catsup in the cafeteria, the SCA "persuaded" Dr. Venable to provide it. No one even thought about the catsup after having it for two months.

But the catsup supply ended and once again students began to complain. The SCA got the catsup back. The point is that students tend to forget about the SCA when things are going well. Still another reason the SCA is overlooked is that

many students just aren't informed about the organization. Laura Miller felt that the SCA did a "great job. I feel a lot of credit goes to Tom Ferguson, who led the council to a good year and tried to involve everyone."

Vernon Womack also felt the SCA did a good job, but his homeroom representative didn't report that well. Myra Daniel said the SCA this year did a "wonderful" job. Despite

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Scrub the Spartans. Terry Cole stands on the Art Club float during the Homecoming Parade sponsored by the SCA.

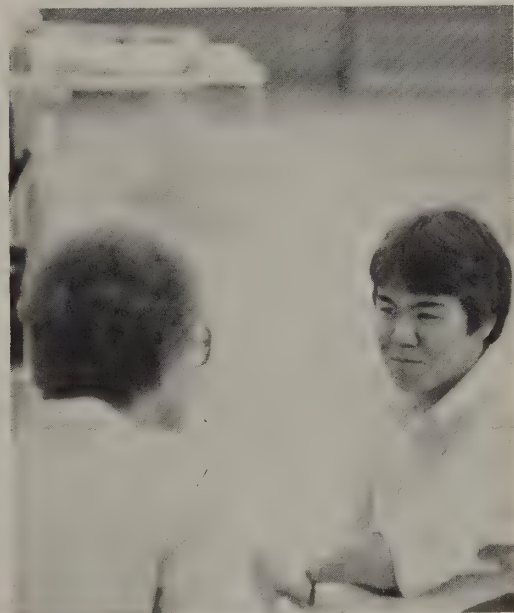
Blowing bubbles. Candy salespersons Kenny Martin and Sarah Brown sell Mary Hudson a candy bar to help raise money for the lobby fund.





SCA DJ's. Alex Tucker and Tom Ferguson are two SCA officers who work as DJ's. They helped sponsor "SCA Day" on the radio.

Voting procedure. The SCA conducted class elections and Tom Ferguson introduced the candidates to the senior class and gave the order of speeches.



Paper work. Bob Carter fills out forms before giving blood. This year 17 year olds could give blood without parents consent.

Senior donor. Giving blood is a duty that eligible students gladly perform. Hugh Wilkerson gives at the SCA sponsored bloodmobile visit.

Santa Claus (Palmore?). This little fellow seems to have reservations about Santa at the SCA Christmas Assembly.

Catsup and lobby furniture were big deals for SCA

(Continued from page 18) / all the positive comments, there were still those who felt that the organization was good, but didn't let people know what was going on. Tamra Overton said the SCA was great, but didn't involve enough people. Tom Ferguson said that he really worked with a "great bunch of people" but thought the council could be better if it involved more people.

Tom listed his major accomplishments: senior exemp-

tions from final exams and raising funds for the new school. Tom said, "We raised more money than any other SCA has. We had a walk-a-thon and an SCA Day on the radio to raise money."

So despite the opinion some students have as to why they don't know what the SCA does, the benefits can be seen.

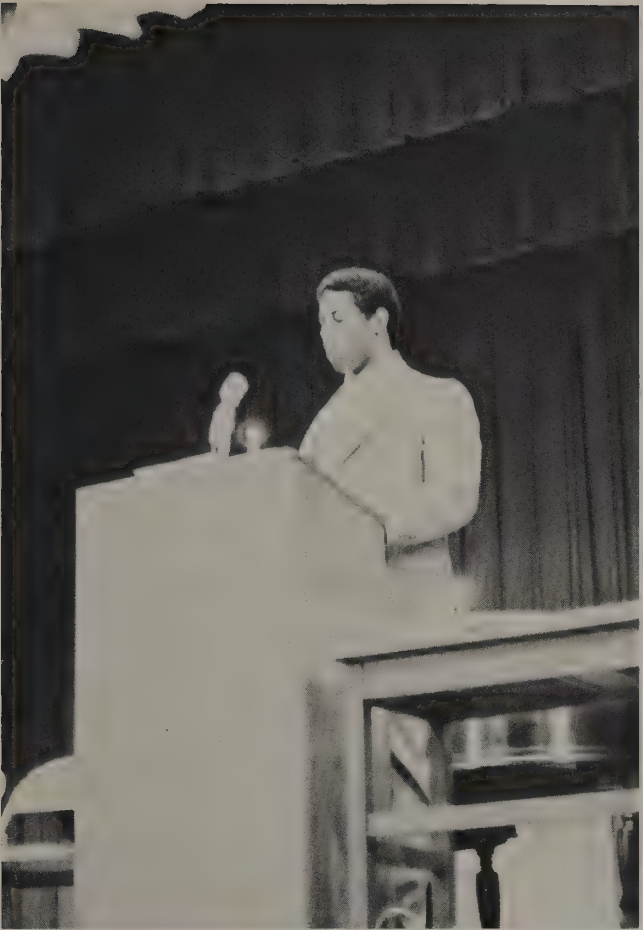
Whether it is furniture in the lobby of the new school or catsup in the cafeteria, the SCA works!



Politics. Tyree Greene makes his speech for senior class vice-president. He won.

In step. The majorettes of the HCSH and HCJH marching bands combine to perform at Homecoming.





President-elect. Russell Logan makes his induction speech. An unprecedented four sophomores were elected to office.



Aooh! A blast from the past as David Barkesdale dresses for "Fifties Day," the SCA sponsored event during Topsy Turvey.



New officers. The newly elected SCA officers are Russell Logan, Alex Tucker, Michele Gravitt, Sygrid Bruce, Patti Tucker and Dawn Yates.

Christmas ballet. Members of the Drama Club perform during the SCA Christmas Assembly. The "ballet" was the hit of the program.

HCSH Queen. A radiant Brenda Burk—holder has just been named Homecoming Queen of 1978.

Getting ready. Latin club members Laura Abenes, Kathy Anderson, Lucien Roberts, and Reginald Walton finish their float for the Homecoming parade.

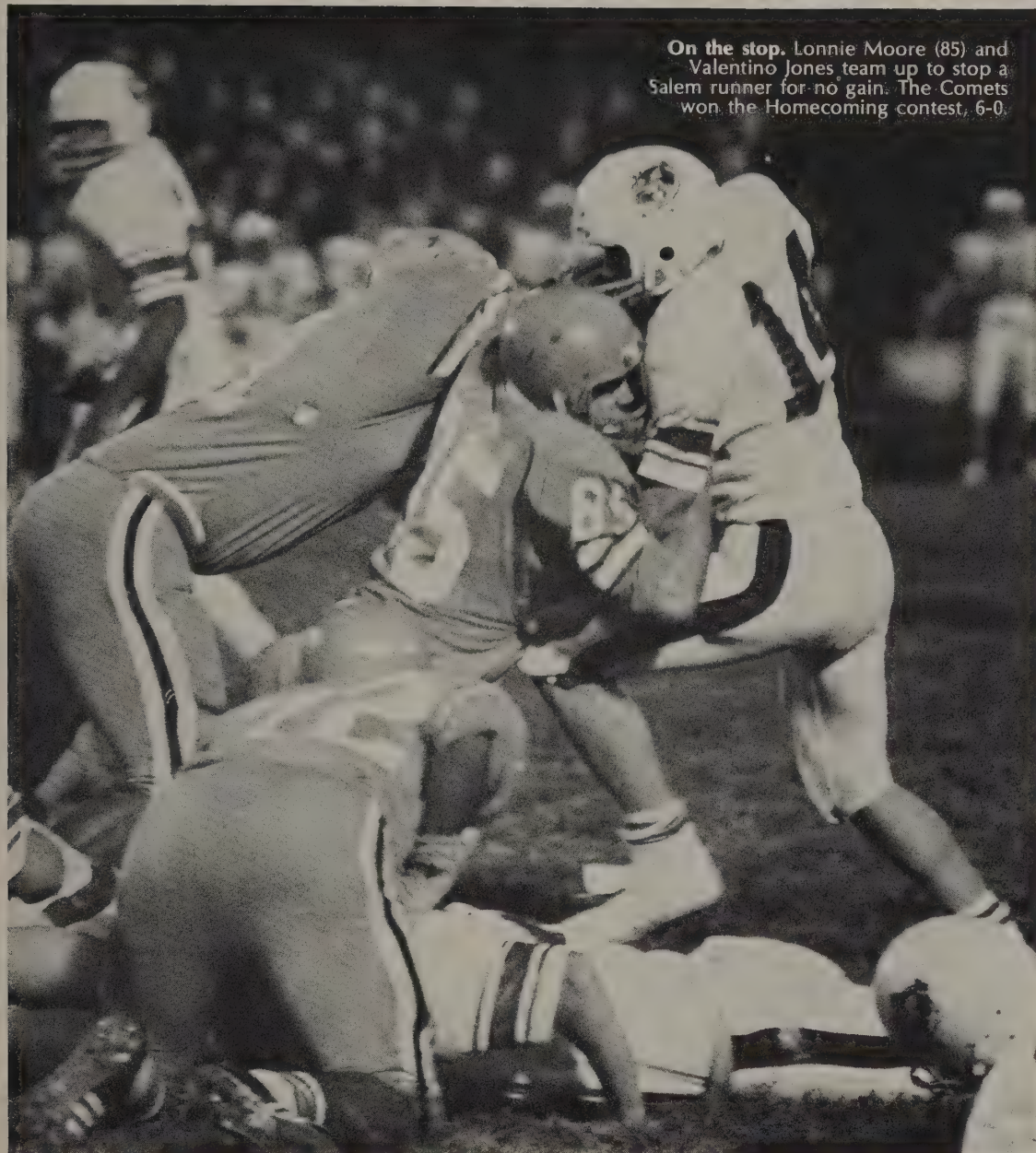


The night before. Senior and junior high bands get ready for Homecoming at a night practice.

UNIQUE

Homecoming Week features a queen, her court, floats, four special events

On the stop. Lonnie Moore (85) and Valentino Jones team up to stop a Salem runner for no gain. The Comets won the Homecoming contest, 6-0.



Unique is the word to describe Homecoming '78. It was the first year that an official Homecoming Week preceded the big day. Activities sponsored by the SCA included Sock Day (the day you didn't have to worry if your socks matched or not), Button Day and Blue and White Day (days in which to show your school spirit) and Hi Ya'll Day (the day you got the chance to yell to your friends as you walked down the hall).

Then Friday came, and a week's work on floats was displayed during the Homecoming parade through downtown South Boston. Later that night, after excitement had reached its peak, the big game against Salem began. At halftime, with the score 6-0 in favor of the Big Blues, one of the largest crowds in many years watched as the senior and junior high bands gave a joint performance. The majorettes lit up the sky with a great fire routine. As the floats paraded around the stadium, the VICA Club float was announced as the first place winner.

Brenda Burkholder was chosen Homecoming Queen of 1978 from a court including Seniors Pam Powell, Sarah Brown and Joann Logan; Juniors Vernell Penick and Jeanya Matthews and Sophomores Amy Hudson and Gwen Villines.

During the second half, the Comets successfully stopped the Spartans with several goal-line stands. The big win topped off an exciting, eventful Homecoming.

The winner. The VICA float moves around the stadium after beating out all the other floats for the first place prize.



COMETS STOMP SALEM BUTTS



Ready? Drum major Caryl Francis prepares to lead the Marching Comet Band at a halftime show. Cindy Reaves also was drum major.

Pomp and circumstance. Graduation means formal music for horn players Dirk Stevens, Charles Barksdale and Charlie Lambrecht.



Attentive. Carefully watching the direction, Sonja Williamson and Martha Clemets practice trills. Keith Van Benschoten waits.

Stepping out. During a stage band concert, Kurt Lambrecht rises for his saxophone solo. The band plays in the Glenn Miller style.



Proud and happy. Members of the All-Regional Chorus are Robin Clark, Sonja Williamson, Chris

Cheek, Donna Dixon, Lisa Bowers, Dirk Brown, James Darden, Steve Butler, Joel Wyatt, Perry Darden

and their Camerata director Mrs. Ashby Cothran, in her first year of working with the group.



Directors bring period of adjustment

Adjustment was the major word and plan for all groups in the Music Department because all new directors were

hired. Mr. Micheal Foxworth was hired to teach advanced and intermediate band. Mr. John Tucker was hired to

teach stage band and be an assistant to Mr. Foxworth. Mrs. Ashby Cothran was hired to teach the mixed chorus and Camerata.

The band began its year of projects in August with camp. Then the list of parades began. The Homecoming and Veteran's Day parades were two of the first. Next, came the annual Christmas parade in South Boston. The band also traveled to Crewe where they won first place band and best unit in the parade. Next, they traveled to Clarksville for its Christmas parade.

UBO. Charles Barksdale, James Reaves and an unidentified blowing object play for Class Day. The band played a group of rock tunes.

After the parades came the concert season. The band held a Christmas concert for the parents. In March, the musicians traveled to Salem for the District VI Band Festival.

In the spring, the band played at the Festival of Arts. They also provided music for the Class Day and Graduation ceremonies. Top award winners at the banquet were Charles Michel, John Philip Sousa Award and Donna Dixon and Amanda Farmer, Hall of Fame Awards. The band will have new uniforms

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Comet strut. In a South Boston parade, drum majors Cindy Reaves and Caryl Francis lead the band. Mr. John Tucker marches along.



Trophies, trophies! Comet band front members Cindy Reaves, Caryl Francis, Donna Kearney, Janet

Edmunds, Cheryl Bostick, Gail Rickman and Bonnie Ragsdale display awards won in the Crewe parade.

One more? Aaron Maxwell stares in disbelief as he beats one more chorus for the seniors as they march into Class Day exercises.



Music Department adjusts to three new directors

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next year as a result of a number of fund raising drives.

The stage band has appeared various times. Among them are the American Legion, Festival of Arts and District Festival.

The Camerata probably had its busiest concert season. The talented group sang at many Sunday morning services. The Camerata also did a concert in Danville. This group performed at the Festival of Arts and

sang for the Lion's Club meetings. One member of Camerata made All-Virginia Chorus, Donna Dixon. Donna was also the recipient of the top award at the Music Banquet, The Camerata Award.

The Mixed Chorus also was busy, singing at the Christmas Assembly and at a concert for the public. This talented group sang at the Festival of Arts. Top award winner for the group was Nanette Faulkner.

Pucker up. His homework abandoned, Dirk Brown joins his fellow band trombonists to practice for the spring concert.



Best foot forward. The rifle corps shows its expert precision as they approach the judges stand in the Homecoming Parade.

Concentrate! Flag corps member Johanna Sadler exhibits perfect form in the halftime show at the Homecoming game.



It's soprano time. During the Camerata Christmas concert, Felicia Abbott begins her solo. The concert was well attended.



"A one and two." A modern day Larry Welk, director John Tucker beats time for a jazzy tune.

New suits for Blues. As Burlington plant manager Bob Kilby hands Dr. Venable a check, Herman Wilson and Keith Van Benschoten display the new band uniforms. Band Booster President Johnnie Pittard and director Michael Foxworth just smile.

Happy hug. Sometimes known as Coach Fred Palmore, Santa Claus asks a little friend what she wants for Christmas. Sharon Gentry is Santa's helper during the assembly.

Christmas dolls. In the Drama Club skit, Penny Powell and Amy Frakes portray dolls that come to life.



Christmas fills halls

Santa's assembly visit begins holiday season

Christmas: the most eagerly anticipated holiday on the school calendar.

A week before the Christmas break began, the air filled with excitement, joyous sounds and delicious smells. On the ground floor Mrs. Glennis Greenwood and the other home ec. teachers taught students to bake Christmas cookies. The tempting aroma floated all the way to the top floor where Mrs. Ashby Cothran and the Camerata were rehearsing.

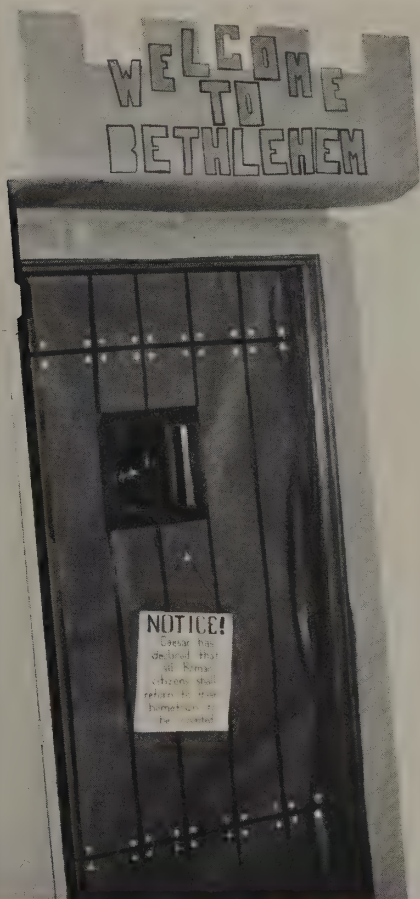
When the SCA announced that a door decoration contest would be held and that the lucky winning homeroom would get to go to the head of the lunch line for one week, glue, scissors, glitter and red paper appeared at once. Themes ranged from the three wise men to Rudolph. Mrs. Clardy's homeroom was the winner.

The holiday festivities were capped with the annual Christmas Assembly. The band and Camerata filled the

gym with music and the Drama Club performed a skit. When the boys in the club, dressed in long johns and tutus, crashed out of a huge Christmas box and performed a ballet, the gym roared with the loudest, longest laughter of the year.

Santa's visit, thanks to Coach Fred Palmore, ended the assembly on a happy note. When he left the gym with his jolly "Ho! Ho! Ho!" floating in the air, the holiday season had really begun.

Winner. Earning top honors in the door decoration contest is the homeroom of Mrs. Ellen Clardy. The art teachers were the judges.



Door covering. Wanda McCargo cuts red paper letters to go on the door decorations for her homeroom.

Musical salute. The Camerata performs in "A Christmas Festival." The advanced band also participated. Several hundred people attended the concert.



For everyone. For the first time ever, the SCA put its tree outside so both students and passersby could enjoy the Christmas lights.

Holiday names. They are both named Holly and maybe that's why they (Barden and Neece) were selected to trim the Christmas tree.

Trend includes trips to D.C., Spain

A trend for clubs seems to have taken hold. Trips! Short trips, long trips, trips to different states, even trips to different countries helped to supplement material that had been taught in classes and provided a little entertainment.

The Latin Club was active all year long taking their annual trip to the Latin Convention held in Washington during the winter. Later several members and Miss Judy Owen, the Latin

Club sponsor, struck out on another trip, this time to New York City. While in New York, they visited the usual tourist attractions and examined a Pompeii exhibit.

The Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y had a busy year. Eventful ski trips filled the winter months, while the Model General Assembly in Richmond and a trip to Virginia Beach provided some spring entertainment.

The longest and most

eventful trip of the year was a nine day trip to Spain, taken by 10 students and two brave chaperones during the Easter holidays. Besides the experience of visiting a foreign country, there was the added plus of going by plane. The reactions to this experience were varied. While Miss Vrbanic strapped herself to the seat, got out her rosary and closed her eyes, some eagerly watched the view from the windows as engines began to roar and ears began to pop.

Once in the air there was nothing extraordinary about the ride, but the view was amazing. Even though it was night, there were certain things to be seen that one would not have seen during the day. For instance, can you just imagine seeing the sparkling lights of

Philadelphia from the air, the sun come peeking from behind white, fluffy clouds right beside you at 30,000 feet, the outline of France against the bright blue water of the Atlantic Ocean or thousands of acres of olive trees spread out in geometric rows?

That was only the beginning of what was definitely an "experience." The next nine days were filled with sightseeing in city after city from Madrid to Cordoba to Seville to Granada to Torremolinos and across the Strait of Gibraltar to Tangier in Africa. Museums and tours during the days and a flamenco show and discos at night made the trip memorable.

So, if you like to get away from home and travel, maybe you should join a club!



Theatre trip. The Drama Club went to Richmond to see the Virginia Museum Theatre's production of "Private Lives." Penny Powell turns to speak to a friend on the bus ride up.

Early tan. On the Hi-Y, Tri-Hi-Y beach trip, Amanda Farmer, Janet Johnson, Charlie Lambrecht and Steve Bandy relax by the pool and get a head start on a summer tan.



Typical tourists. Sherry Bailey and Wanda Boulden get their picture taken in the courtyard at the Royal Palace in Madrid.



Spanish highlights. The Spanish Club trip included Charlie Lambrecht (**top**) being wrapped with a snake in Tangier, Miss Pauline Vrbancic, Trey Harrison, Fred Pinson, Charlie Lambrecht, Kelly Bradshaw, Kim Roark and Chris Ratcliff ambling down a Madrid street and the entire group visiting the Royal Palace in Madrid

Almost like Macy's

"Would you like to buy . . .?" was a common question asked in the lobby. Everyone seemed to be selling something.

The SCA was selling various kinds of candy. The candy cost 50 cents a bar and was purchased in the lobby before school or during lunch. Mr. Wilton Ragland, SCA sponsor, reported that a \$2,000 sale was

the goal. The money earned from the candy sale was to be used in furnishing the lobby in the new school.

The percussion section of the band along with the band front sold towels. The towels were white with light blue trim and had "Halifax County Comets" written on them. Proceeds went toward band camp.

The Art Club sold Cadbury chocolate bars. The proceeds earned were used by the club for its activities.

At times, the lobby didn't seem like a lobby; it was more like a department store.



"One, please." Broderick Jennings makes a candy bar purchase from Sarah Brown. The SCA candy sale proceeds went into the fund to buy lobby furniture for the new school.

Free looks. Tom McLaughlin and Scott Parson check out the "Star" issue before making a purchase from salesman Lucien Roberts.



Slow sales. Between lunch periods Kim Roark and Rhonda Francis find that SCA candy sales slow down.





Yearbook collection. While Dale Warren receives final "Haliscopes" payments from Michael Cole and Kathy Perkins, Lucien Roberts mugs for the photographer.



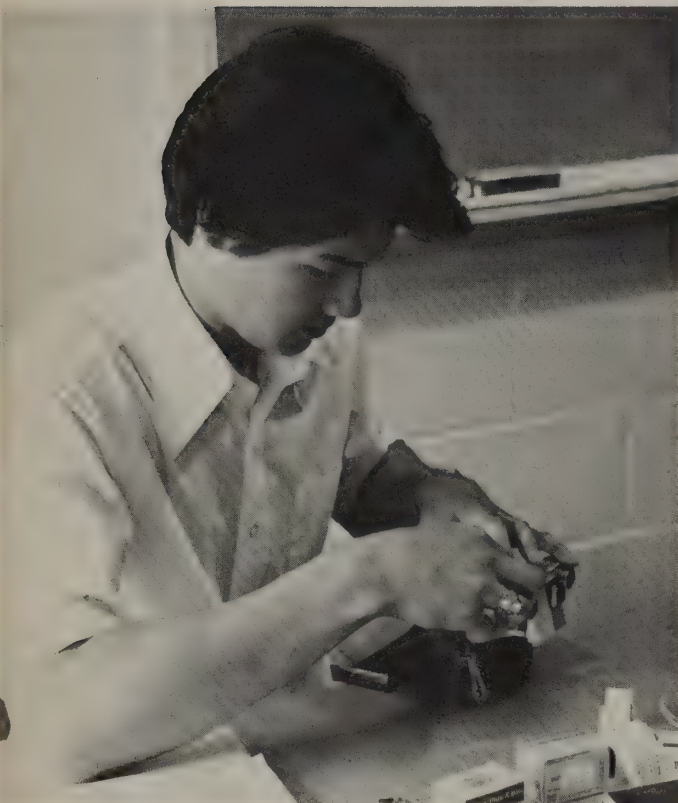
Raffle ticket. During a class break Annette Ingram sells Holly Barden a VICA ticket for 200 gallons of gas.



Sports fan. Cheerleaders sold pennants and ribbons in the lobby on game days. Michelle Davidson Terry Satterfield and Patricia Popek sell to Jenny Dean and Andy Spencer.

Last edition. Cropping pictures for the last issue of the "Star" is one job of feature editor Laura Abenes, who pastes up the center section.

Always ready. Loading the Minolta before he leaves class, Jon Bowen will be able to photograph anything that may make a good picture.



Hectic note begins journalists' year

"How can I do any editorial on a parking lot?"

"Did you say I had to interview Ed Bates, or Ted Bates, or Ned Bates, or was it Ed Baynes, or Ned Baynes, or...?"

"What do you mean the 'Star' is coming out Monday and we don't have any copy?"

These questions were asked every two weeks in Room 164; it isn't odd that these questions came about everytime the "Star" was ready to come out. Of course there always was Paula Irby, Cheryl Gravitt and Laura Abenes fighting over editorials, and Nancy Smith trying to finish her column before a deadline. Often during the hectic winter months the "Star" or a story in it had to be delayed because school was closed due to the bad weather.

But, then, the school year started on a hectic note for the journalism students. The

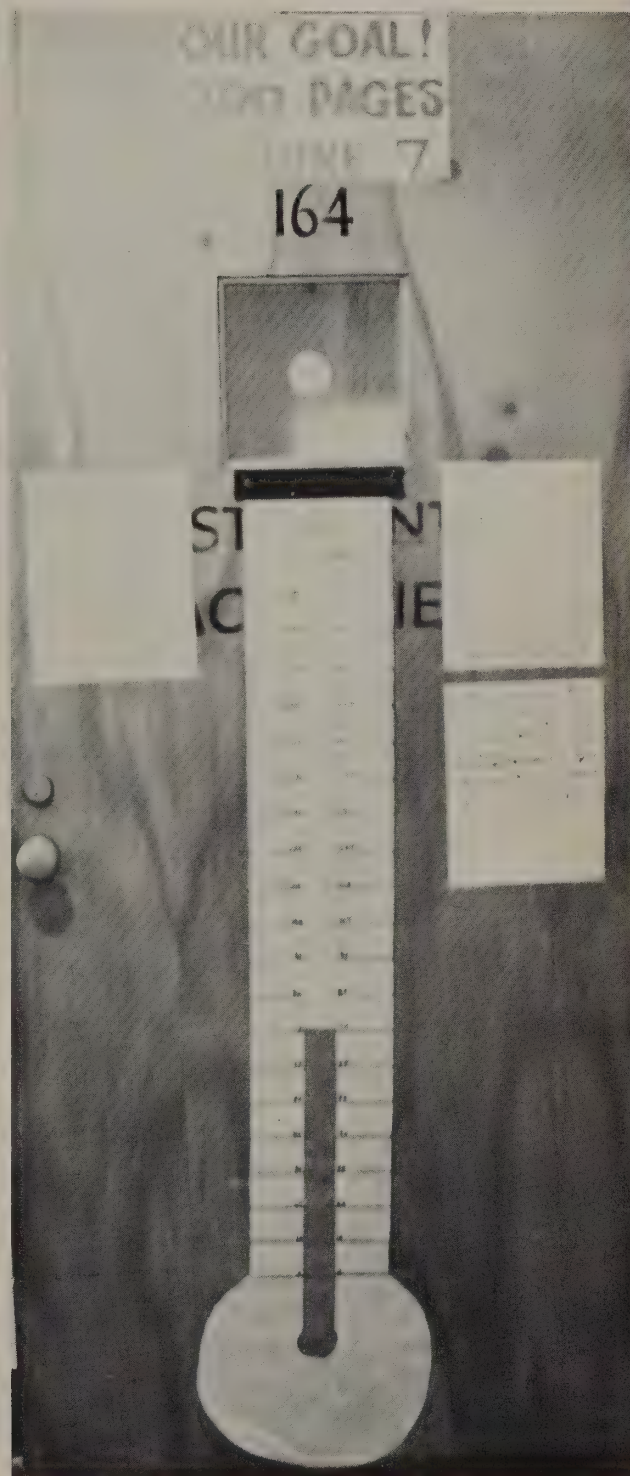
"Haliscopes" was late, and the first issue of the "Star" didn't come out till December. Everyone was working frantically on last year's yearbook, but nevertheless the "Haliscopes" didn't come out until February. As they say "better late than never," but this time the old cliché really meant something when the '78 yearbook won a Medalist Award for the twelfth time in succession. Mr. Fitz avows that this yearbook will come out on time, and the journalists are working hard drawing layouts, cropping pictures and typing copy, proving that a "Haliscopes" can really meet a deadline. Of course the pressure is on knowing that this will be the last "Haliscopes" from the old school.

It was also the first year in a long time that the "Galaxy," the school literary magazine, was published. The beginning

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Mask maker. Paula Irby, layout editor of the "Star," prepares a mask to be pasted down where a picture will eventually go.



High goal. The yearbook staff installed a thermometer on the journalism room door to show one and all that they were working hard to get the book completed on time.

Year begins on hectic note, ends busy for journalists

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seemed shaky for the magazine, but as more and more students showed interest in the creativity of the "Galaxy," it gained greater stability. Students submitted short-stories, poems, essays and drawings. In the beginning of the year the "Galaxy" rounded a host of patrons to support the magazine with needed funds. Stacy Brown, was editor of the "Galaxy," while Mrs. Dorathye Spence and Mrs. Virginia Whitlock as advisers helped

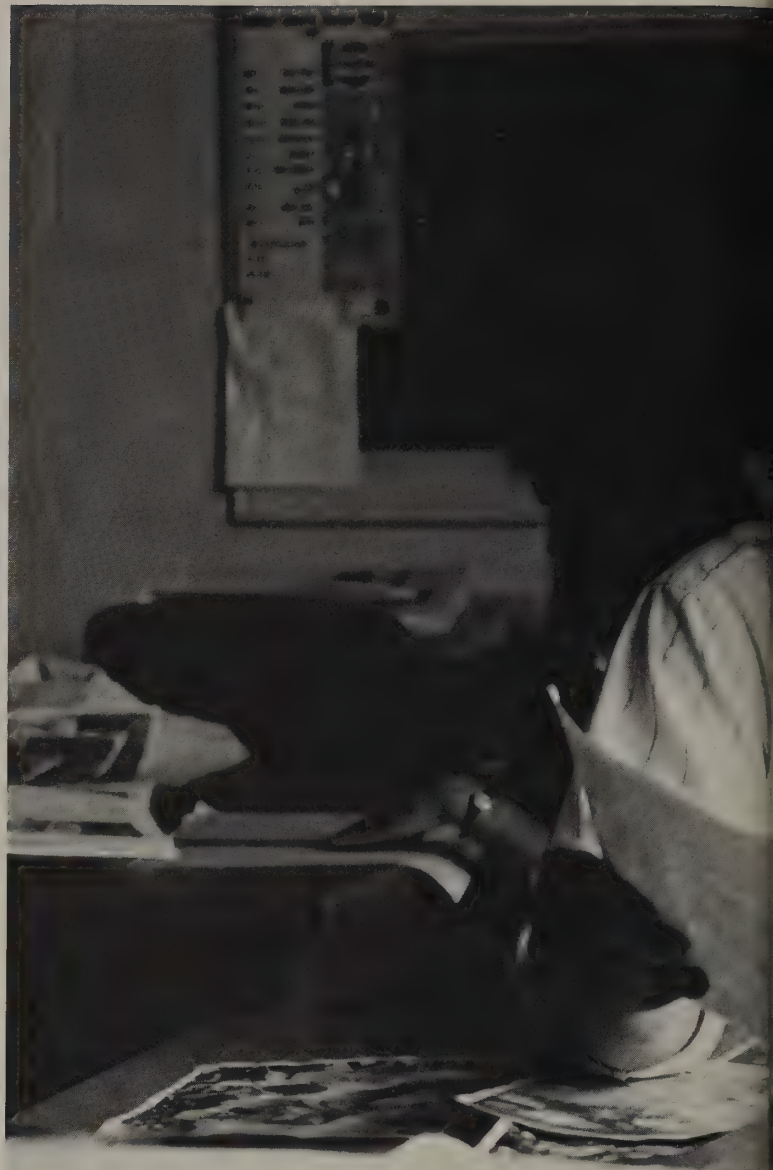
bring back a tradition of having a literary magazine here.

The school year began in a rush for journalism students frantically trying to meet deadlines and ended just as hectically as the "Star" came out the day of graduation and the "Haliscope" was making its way to an early deadline while a small group of dedicated students worked hard reenstating the old tradition of a literary magazine, the "Galaxy."



Cutting job. As "Star" news editor, Cheryl Gravitt works on paste ups at the news office on the Friday afternoons before the Monday delivery.

First. The first to finish their yearbook pages, Helen Dunavant and Gayle Shields complete the last details on the sophomore section.





Picture selections. The football pages in the yearbook need action pictures and Lonnie Moore shuffles through the possibilities for his choices.

Deadline time. When the deadline nears, Nancy Smith rushes to finish her column for the "Star." Nancy was the paper's first girl sports editor.



Idea chaser. Susan Inge checks out a yearbook from the exchange file to see how that staff does things. Susan was the "Haliscopes" advertising design editor.

Editor's stretch. Stacy Brown reaches for a copy of the "Galaxy" to sell to Albert Caddle while Susan Wooding makes change for David Moody.



Employers, employees
guests and friends **It's**
all enjoy
the fun because **a banquet**

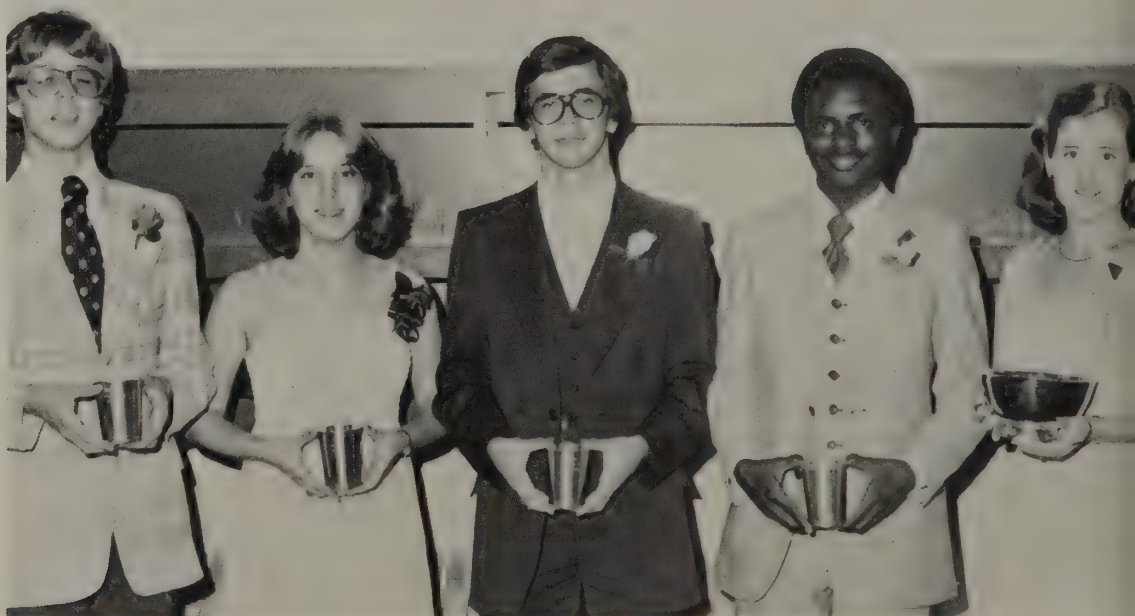
Presidential succession. Paula Irby gives Larry Rowe a kiss for good luck at the VICA banquet. He will succeed Paula as president.

Madame president. Kelly Wilson presides at the DECA club banquet. She was named DE Student of the Year at the event.



Banquet guests. Employers, parents and VICA members enjoy the VICA Club's guest speakers and show their approval with a round of applause.

Camerata tops. At the Music Masters banquet, Grant Stanley, Sonya Williamson, Dirk Brown, James Barksdale and Donna Dixon were the top rated students at the banquet.



Speakers get nervous, advisers collapse and diners enjoy. It's banquet time!

Springtime is the scene for many gala events, and banquets are no exception. Clubs have banquets in a variety of places serving a variety of foods to a variety of people.

Banquets are held in order to wrap up a season or year of accomplishments, to honor the outstanding achievers in their organization and to honor every person who has contributed to the club.

The VICA and DECA clubs found the Bullpen Restaurant an appropriate place for the annual employee-employer banquets. Extravagantly serving a steak dinner to each attendant at their banquets, the clubs followed with a program of honors and awards. Climaxing these banquets, students of the year and employers of the year were named with Kelly Wilson being named DECA's student of the year, and Paula Irby and Thomas Logan being named VICA's students of the year. The employers of the year were "The Gazette-Virginian" newspaper and Winn-Dixie supermarket.

At the Music Master's banquet, FFA banquet and FBLA banquet, which were held in the HCSH cafeteria, a buffet meal was served to the special guests. Recipients of special awards were honored and presented with awards for their hard work and achievements.

Commenting on banquets, Mr. Bill Moore, VICA adviser said, "A good banquet takes a lot of hard work to be a success, but it's worth the work to see all the employers and parents and special guests enjoying themselves."



Job well done. At the conclusion of the FFA banquet, former principal Mr. Marshall Swanson congratulates chapter president Steve Good.

Mr. Archie Bohannon, DECA adviser, commented on his club's banquet, saying, "I think the employers and all the special guests enjoyed it. This is DECA's way of showing our sincere appreciation to all the employers who have worked with our organization throughout the year."

Banquets are a good way of

expressing appreciation to students and other special people who have contributed to the success of a year in the life of an organization. Whether they are catered, buffet style, hamburger-hotdog cookouts or extravagant steak dinners, banquets are worth the effort and work involved.



Big honor. Officers of the FFA present Mr. James Cardwell, former ag. teacher, the Honorary Chapter Farmer Award.

FBLA winners. Charlene Bowes, Melanie Blankenship, Robin Irby, Debra Brooks, Kathy Williams and Susan Crews won FBLA honors.



A night of magic memories unfolds

The night of April 27 had finally arrived. It was the Junior-Senior Prom, the last one to be held in this building's gym.

That's why the juniors had worked hard to make this prom a beautiful and special one. The theme, "We May Never Pass This Way Again," seemed to fit perfectly.

Decorating began the week of the prom and, as usual, problems arose. The streamers that were put up the first day had to be tightened three times after they were put up. The biggest worry, though, was the late arrival of the archway and flowers for the photographer's background. Decorators had to wait until 5:30 the night of the prom before the props could be put in their place, but overall the juniors found there were no disasters and the decorating went smoothly. Tyler Hudson, the junior class president, stated, "In spite of the difficulties and hard work I was

satisfied with the way things looked when the people began to arrive at 8 o'clock."

The juniors had paid approximately \$2000 to create the magic night. The band cost \$1000, the decorating kits, \$850 and the flowers and food, \$150. "But it was worth it," Tyler said.

To begin the memorable night, lucky couples went out to eat steak dinners, silently praying they wouldn't be unlucky and spill food on their gowns and tuxedos.

When the couples reached the school and walked through the door, the gym and lobby seemed to magically change into heaven; that is a "Comet heaven." The decorations and streamers were the school colors of blue and white, and the beautiful art work on the bulletin board and in the showcase had been done by the Art Department.

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Top of the world. As she prepares to hang a streamer, Jane Brandon checks her platform's height. The class used blue and white, the school colors, for decorating.

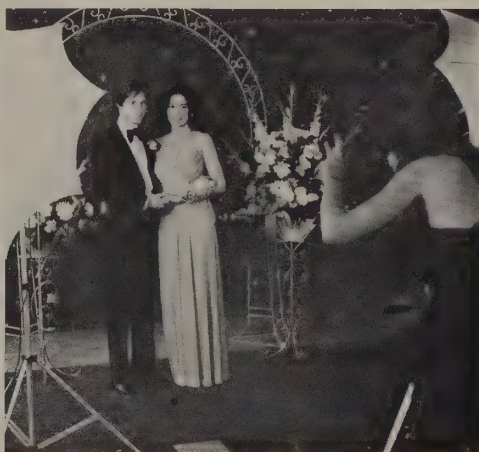
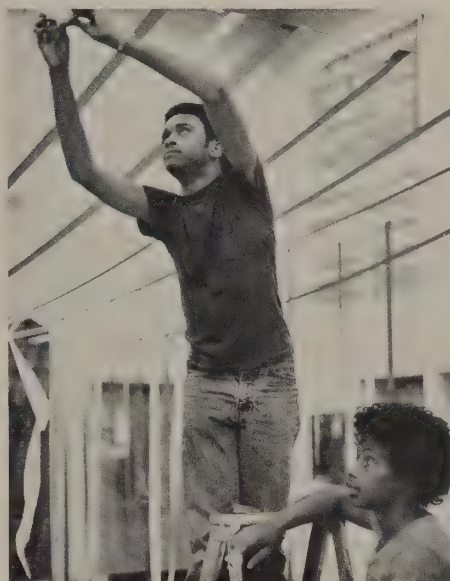
Balancing act. With careful skill, Joyce Allen tapes her streamer while balancing on the ladder. Decorating the gym took four nights.



Barefoot boogie. Girls abandon their high heels while dancing to the music of "Spectrum." The band was booked through Richmond.



Be careful. While Donald Dillard concentrates on pinning a streamer, Angela Dance holds the ladder. The gym decorations cost \$850.



"Say cheese." Dick Glasscock and Jeanya Matthews end a prom duty and preserve prom memories on a film.

Time out. Prom couples take a break and chat in front of the showcase displaying the theme.



Refreshing pause. Carla Scott and Thomas Cheatham ready the cups as Jesse Wimbush begins to pour. Sophomores helped with serving food and drinks at the prom.

The decorations and theme symbolized the magic event



Hat dance. Unique is the word for Preston Thompson's prom outfit, tux plus cowboy hat. His dancing partner is Cindy Seamster.



Snappy dancing. Dale and Sharion Holbrook prove that married folks aren't stogy. They enjoy prom fun too.

Paper sky. Under a canopy of blue and white streamers, Pam and Sandy Wilson, Eddie Blount and Kim Parks sway to one of the band's slow numbers during the evening.

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The theme, "We May Never Pass This Way Again," seemed to ring a note of sadness in everyone, but as the night wore on nostalgia faded as the "Spectrum's" soul and rock increased in loudness.

As the couples passed by the cafeteria, they stopped to have their pictures taken by a professional photographer. The couples then proceeded slowly to the gym, as they stopped often to speak to friends and to admire their outfits and flowers.

The gym floor was always scattered with dancers, but about 11 o'clock the happy couples started tearing down the decorations and wearing the streamers around their clothing.

As midnight approached, the couples started leaving and

soon the gym was empty and desolate. The floor was scattered with streamers and the tables were littered with cups and full ashtrays. Everyone left, remembering, feeling glad and a little sorry, that the sophomores had to clean it up early the next morning.

After leaving the prom, the couples changed into more comfortable clothes and went to the after-parties that often lasted late into the early morning. When the late night-early morning "partying" was finally over, the couples returned to their individual homes, hopefully to sleep until late Saturday afternoon.

When they awoke, they looked back over the last night and realized that the prom had been a big success, and that, truly, April 27 had been a night to remember.





The hustle. Vernell Penick and Calvin Jackson do their own version of the popular dance. All types of steps were done sometime during the evening.

Tired. As the prom ends, sitting it out is as much fun as dancing. Sandra Smith, Jerry Perkins, Mike Harris and Kathy Anderson discover.



The end. And after it's all over, what helped make a magic night ends up in tomorrow's trash heap, waiting to be hauled away.

To each his own. Others may be swinging, but Vickie Dickerson and Steve Butler find that slow dancing is nice too.

A spring day at school has a character all its own. Most of the action seems to be on the outside; inside it's all routine except for the last two weeks of the year when the teachers try to cram in everything they didn't cover the other 34 weeks.

Inside Miss Price is asking someone to pick out the noun clause in sentence number three. Outside Miss Mitchell's physical ed classes are playing softball and getting an early start on their summer sun burns.

Seniors with their privileges are spending study halls lounging on the front benches.

Anywhere other than school

Juniors in Mr. Lawson's history class are reading about Mr. Hoover's depression and promise of a chicken in every pot.

During fourth period, "A" lunch is playing frisbee on the lawn while Mrs. Wilson's plane geometry students are bisecting angles.

A typical spring day. When the lunch time gossip is juicier, when you would eagerly change places with the guy mowing the grass outside the classroom window, when sixth period seems endless and when you would rather be anywhere other than in school.



Heading in. After playing a game of softball, Mrs. Anne Cochran's physical ed class heads for the showers.



Hot story. In the spring Carla Reeves and Lydia Chalkley find that "the latest" always seems to be a little juicier.

Book chore. While others are outside, Ann Stillman is stuck inside completing a report for Miss Price's English class.

Spring pause. During lunch break Cindy Hudson, Becky Vaughan, Joyce Bowman and Janice Fletcher relax next to the bus parking lot.



Male preserve. It's just male talk for Kenny New, Harold Carmichael, Clark Daniel, Tony Franklin and Dennis Clark during lunch break.

Calm duo. On a spring day Kathy Medley and Brenda Edmondson think it's nice just to sit in the sun.

Crowder wins Principal's Award

Chancie Crowder, president of the National Honor Society and outstanding member of the wrestling team, received the top award at Class Day exercises.

He also gave a Class Day Address which has never before been done here. Chancie gave an impressive speech guided mainly to give his classmates advice for the future.

John Hall and Annette Saunders were announced as valedictorian and salutatorian of the class, respectively.

Awards given for outstanding citizenship went to Tom Ferguson and Holly

Barden, American Legion Citizenship Award; Donna Dixon and Coolidge Hamlett the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Award and Jerry Dillard, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Award.

Outstanding athletic awards were given to Steve

Bandy, T.C. Watkins, III Award and Amanda Farmer, Tuesday Woman's Club Ladies Athletic Award.

After many other prestigious awards were given to members of the senior class, the atmosphere became "less serious" as the senior class

officers, along with Holly Barden, read the senior class' Last Will and Testament and presented the Who's Who.

Class Day ended with the seniors marching out of the stadium led by Junior Marshals, Tyler Hudson and Russell Logan.



Row P. Joey Piechota, Wanda Perkins and Lisa Phillips take their place in line as they march in during Class Day exercises.

Sunny ceremony. When the sun gets too hot during Class Day, Doris Patrick knows what to do. Kim Parks is glad to share an edge of the umbrella.





Horn section. Class Day music was provided by the band. David Throckmorton, Vicki Barbour and Jeanette Villines are in the horn section.

Flag gift. Receiving a flag and a plaque, Jerry Dillard is given the Veteran's of Foreign Wars Auxiliary Award by Mrs. Louise Slayton.

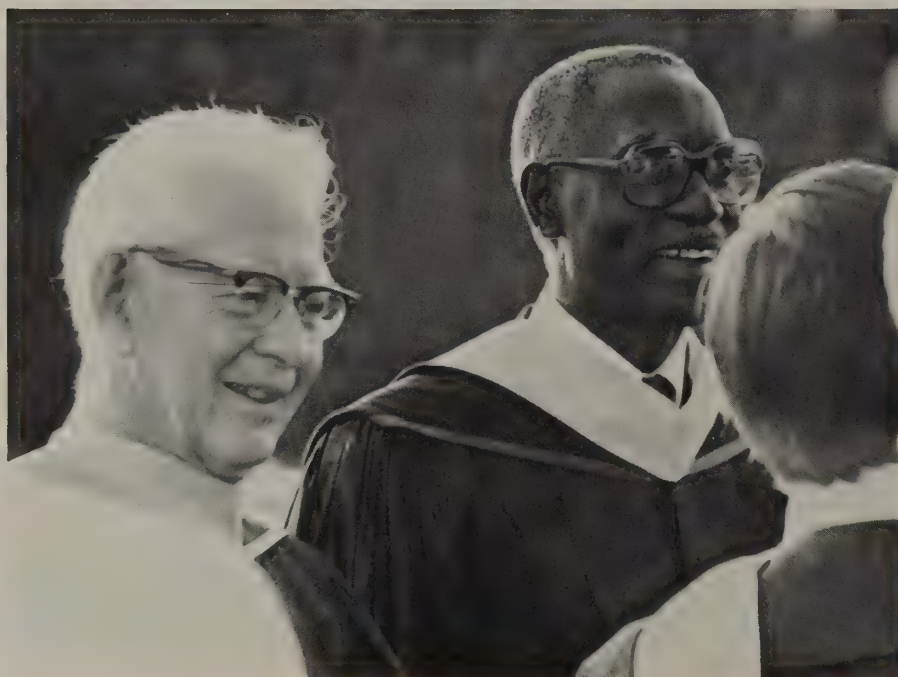


Top athlete. By vote of the coaches, Steve Bandy was named the outstanding athlete of the class. Dr. L. M. Venable presents the award.

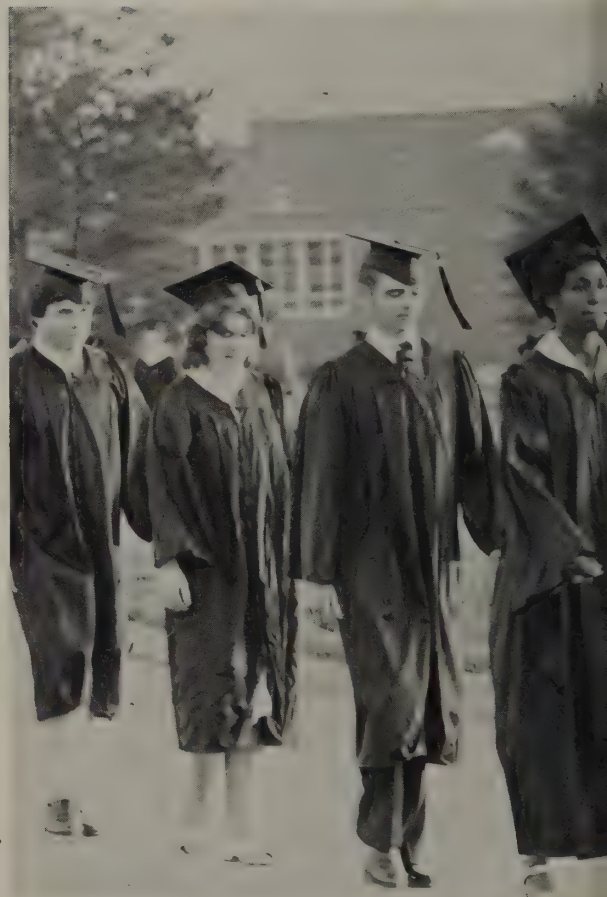
Ready and waiting. Seniors line up behind the gym to begin their Class Day march to the stadium. The program lasted three hours.



Final adjustment. Graduate Mike Harris helps soon-to-be-graduate Kathy Anderson with her cap before she gets in line.



Former principals. At the last graduation from the present building, Mr. Marshall Swanson, first principal of HCSH, and Mr. Lazarus Bates, long-time principal of the junior high, were special guests.



Marching in. David Throckmorton, Janice Thompson, John Terry and Bessie Terry walk "that last mile" to get a diploma.

Class of 1979: The end of an era

And the rains came and came and came, flooding basements, filling gullies, and washing out Baccalaureate. I just heard the announcement on the radio. Dr. Venable decided to combine Baccalaureate and Graduation and have it all on Monday night.

"That's going to be one long night," I said out loud to myself. But then I thought that's better than postponing Graduation until Tuesday because that's when we leave for Myrtle Beach.

Monday night came and I was ready. In fact, I got to the

back of the gym 30 minutes early. I wasn't going to be late for my graduation. After a while all 408 graduates were in a line and waiting. It gave us a little time to sneak glances at each other, swear we would keep in touch and wish everyone good luck.

And then it was time. As I marched from the gym, across the bus parking lot and into the stadium, my high school life passed before my eyes: the Penick vocabulary tests in my junior year, the last prom, my first day as a scared sophomore. It all came back to me, the good and the bad.

Sitting in my proper seat, I began to reminisce about the events that had happened in that stadium: football games, assemblies, pep rallies, sneaking a smoke going to driver's ed. and the track meets. The speaker was talking now and he was good but he was having to compete with my memories. Often he lost.

Finally the moment was here. My row stood up and we marched forward. I couldn't help feeling a bit of disappointment at the fact that after struggling through 12 years of school, my names was called and a diploma cover given to me, all of which lasted approximately two seconds. But I had it: a diploma. I was a graduate.

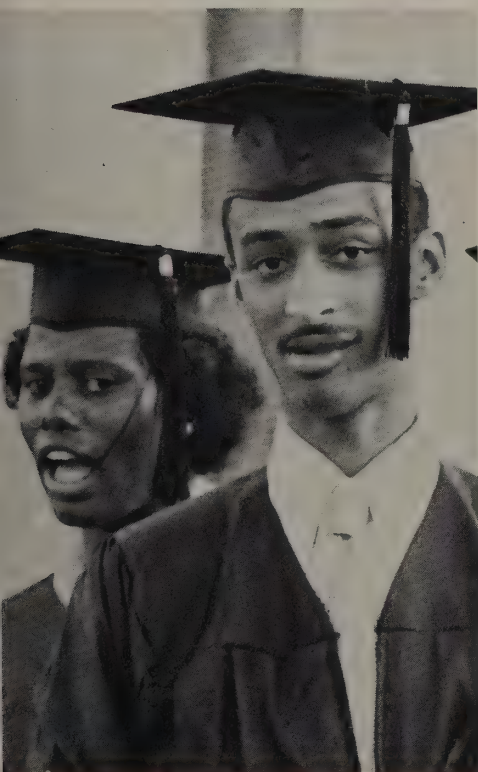
Cheers of delight filled the air when the last name was called and when I looked around I saw some tears also.

And why not? We were the last class to graduate from this building. We were now a part of the thousands who had gone before us. We were the conclusion of a 26-year history. We were the end of an era.

Final one. The last person to graduate from the present school building is Lawson Younger. He brings a 26-year history to its conclusion.



Long line. The 408 graduates stretch from the gym across the parking lot and into the stadium.

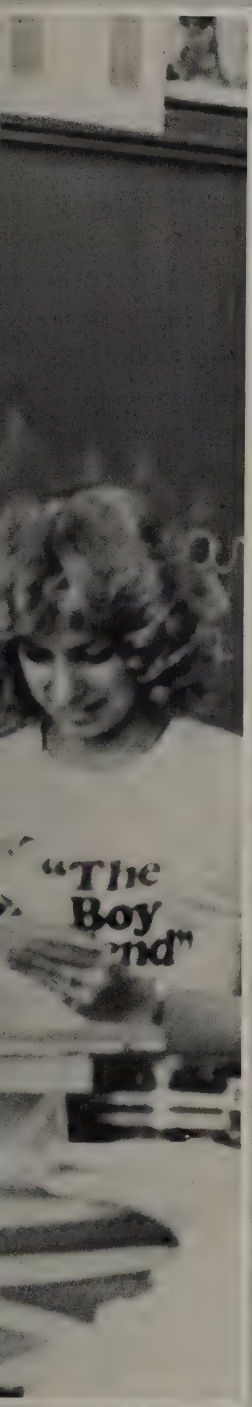


Senior wait. Angela Sweeney and Kirk Strange wait one last time before they begin their long march to become graduates.



Animated teacher. Miss Pauline Vrbancic uses body language as well as speech to teach Spanish as Kelly Bradshaw checks vocabulary cards.





Academics

There really wasn't much new in academics. We did seem to be waiting for the new school, which, with its excellent facilities, would be offering, especially in the vocational wing, courses new to us. But we didn't stop learning in the old building. Mrs. Wagner still exclaimed over a line from Emily Dickinson, Mr. Clardy lectured on Jimmy Carter and Mr. Moore dropped hints on how to prepare for a job interview. We picked up useful and useless knowledge sometimes without realizing it. So, you see, it was more than a goodbye year.

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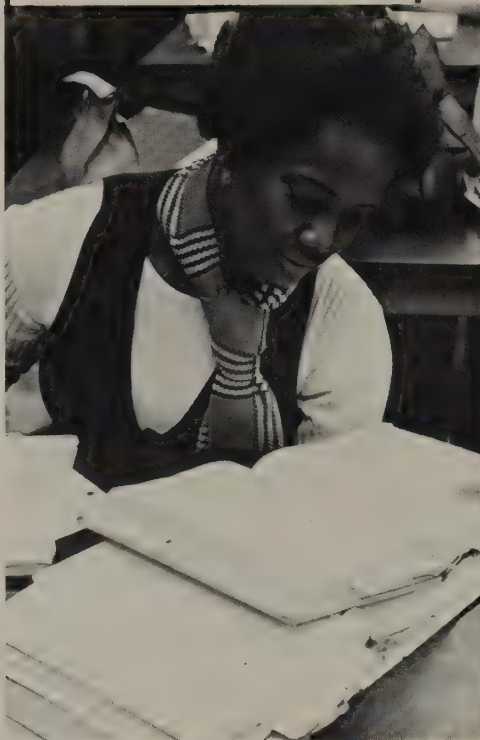
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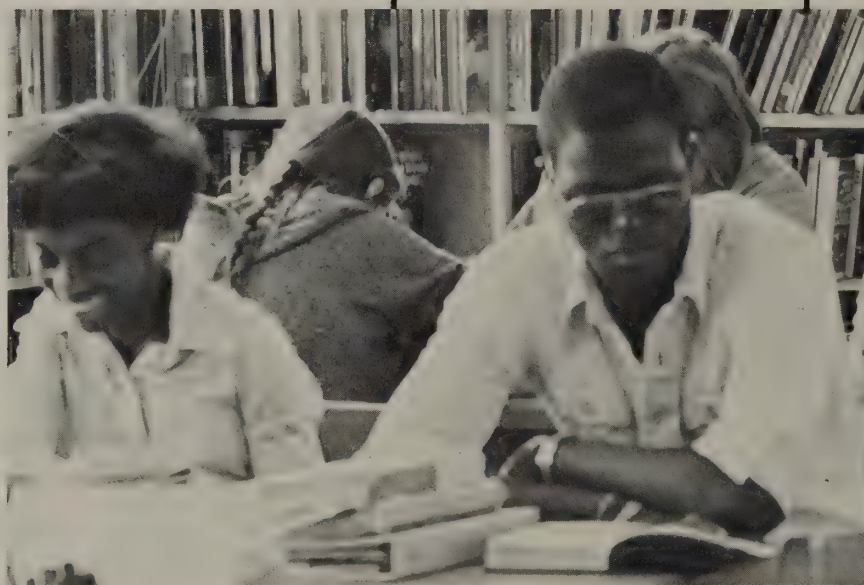
Real research. Robin Hailey concentrates on some required reading for one of his 12th grade classes.

What is one thing every high school student has in common? Homework!

While some students may do 10 minutes of homework weekly, others may spend many hours every night studying and doing assignments. Since nearly every student has homework, every student was eligible for a small survey to see students' attitudes on homework. The survey was administered according to the type of classes the student had: College Preparatory, Practical or Developmental. The same survey was given to each



History hound. On one of Mr. Fitz's "whatever" days, Carolyn Coles bones up on U.S. history.



Book beat. Seniors Venus Edmonds and Bill Chambers hit the books during a library study hall.

Chair check. A seated Shirley Brown makes a last minute check of her homework before turning it in.

student.

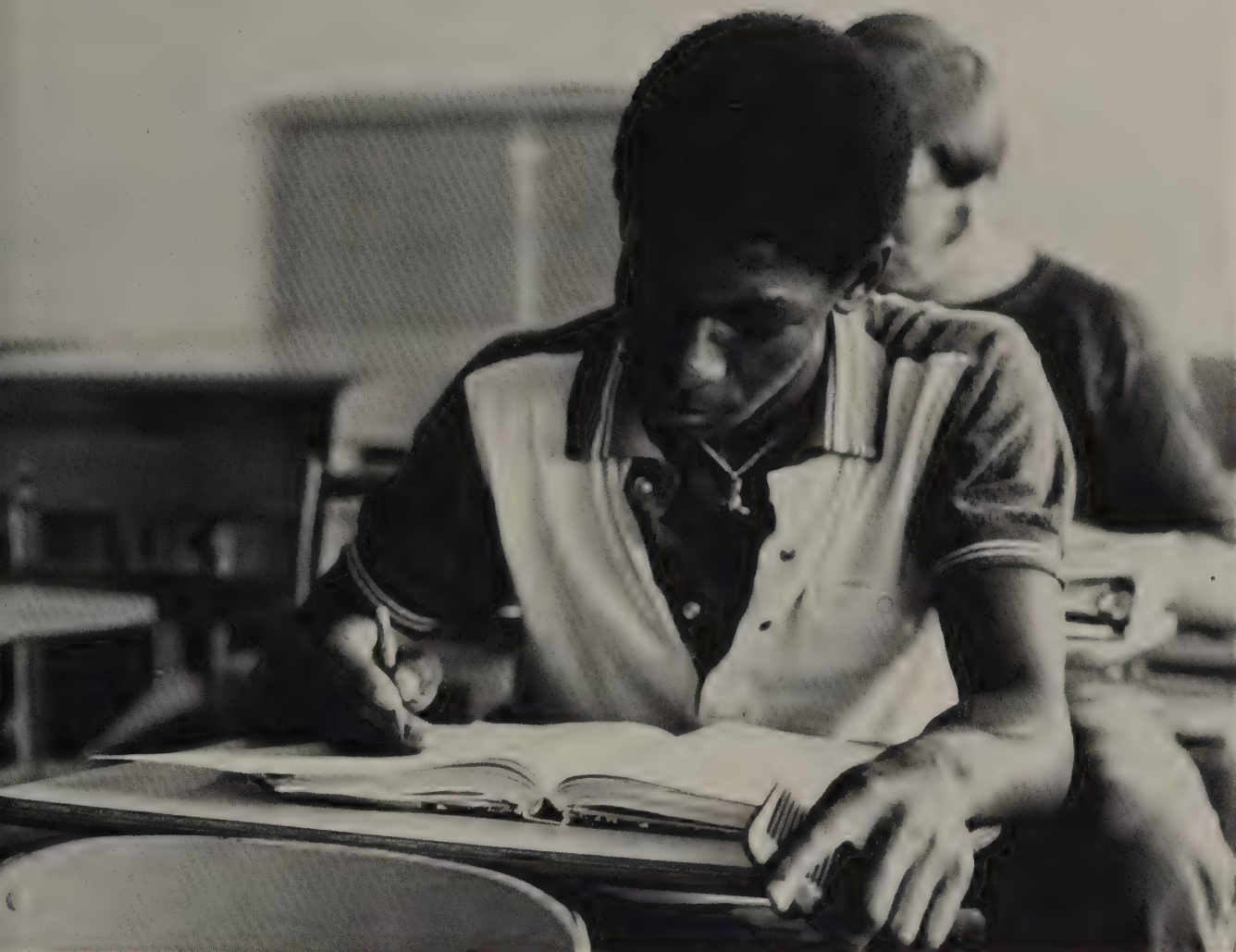
These were the questions:

1. Do you like homework? Why or why not?
2. How much time each day do you usually spend on homework?
3. In what classes do you have the most homework?
4. Why do you think teachers assign homework?
5. Do your teachers take grades on your homework?
6. Would you rather not have homework, and just use test grades?

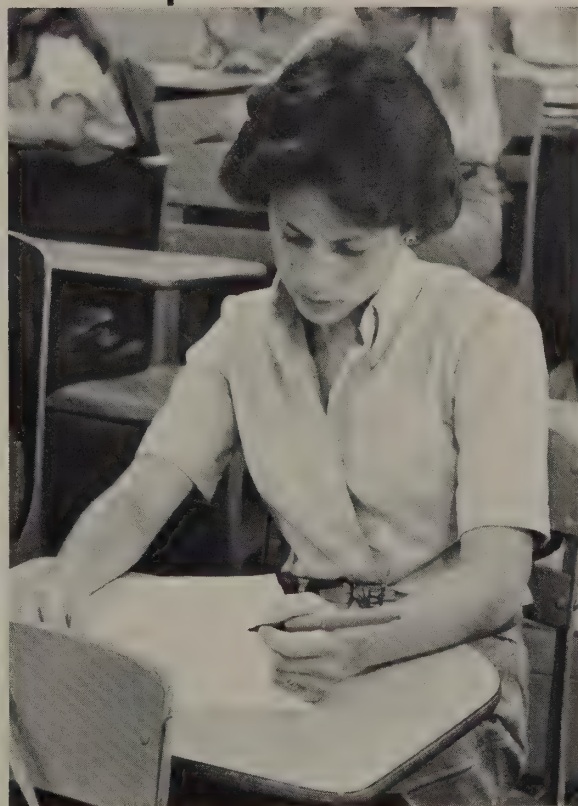
Comments about the homework: a few responses were amusing, and some were good ideas. At least every student



It's what students have in common



Ready writer. Taking advantage of a short class, Wayne McCargo gets the jump on a home assignment.



Think tank. Dawn Yates carefully considers the next question before answering it in geometry class.

surveyed had an opinion. The results were fairly predictable. About two thirds of all students disliked homework. Most students cited lack of time as the main cause of their dislike. However, most of the college prep students said they didn't mind it if they had time to do it.

The time spent on homework varied with class distinction. Most basic students did less than an hour with many at about 15 minutes. General students ranged from 10 minutes to three hours, while CP students worked for 1 to 5 hours.

The homework-heavy classes were English, biology and math courses. Trigonometry was
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Homework

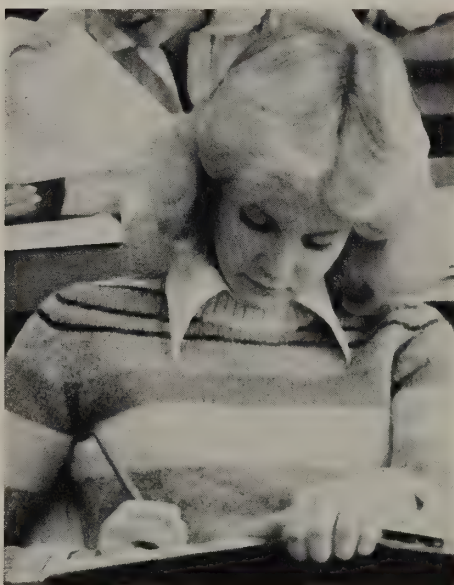
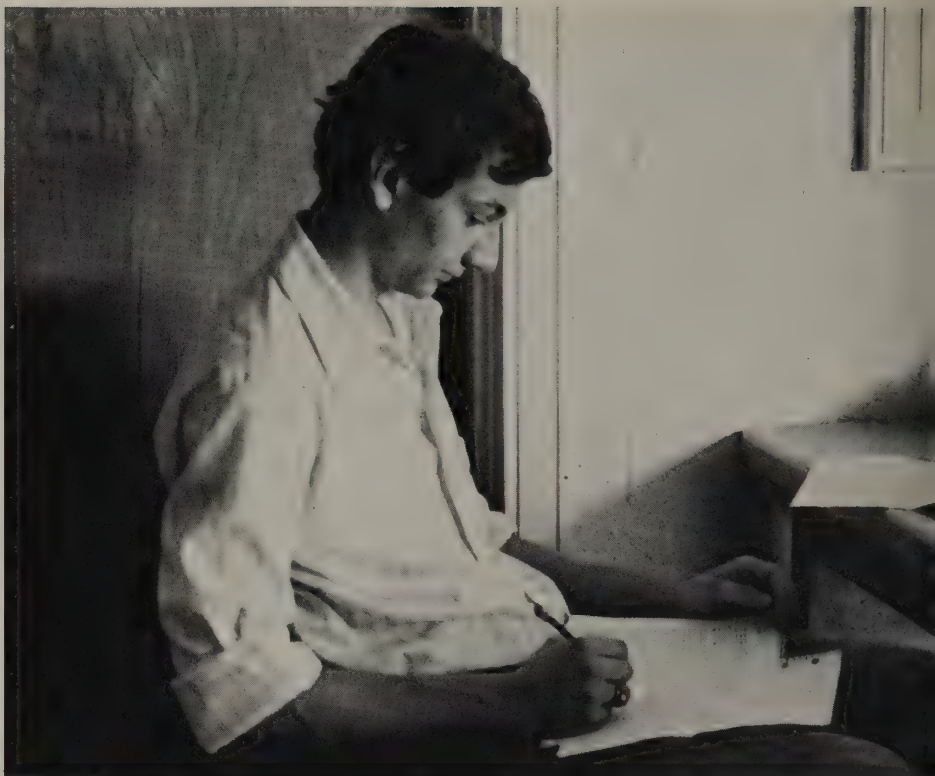
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especially heavy for many students.

Joe Clark said he didn't mind homework too much. He said it was "beneficial to the mind to do homework once in a while."

One inconsistency that appeared in the survey was the large number of people that said they didn't have time to do homework also said they did only 10 or 15 minutes each day.

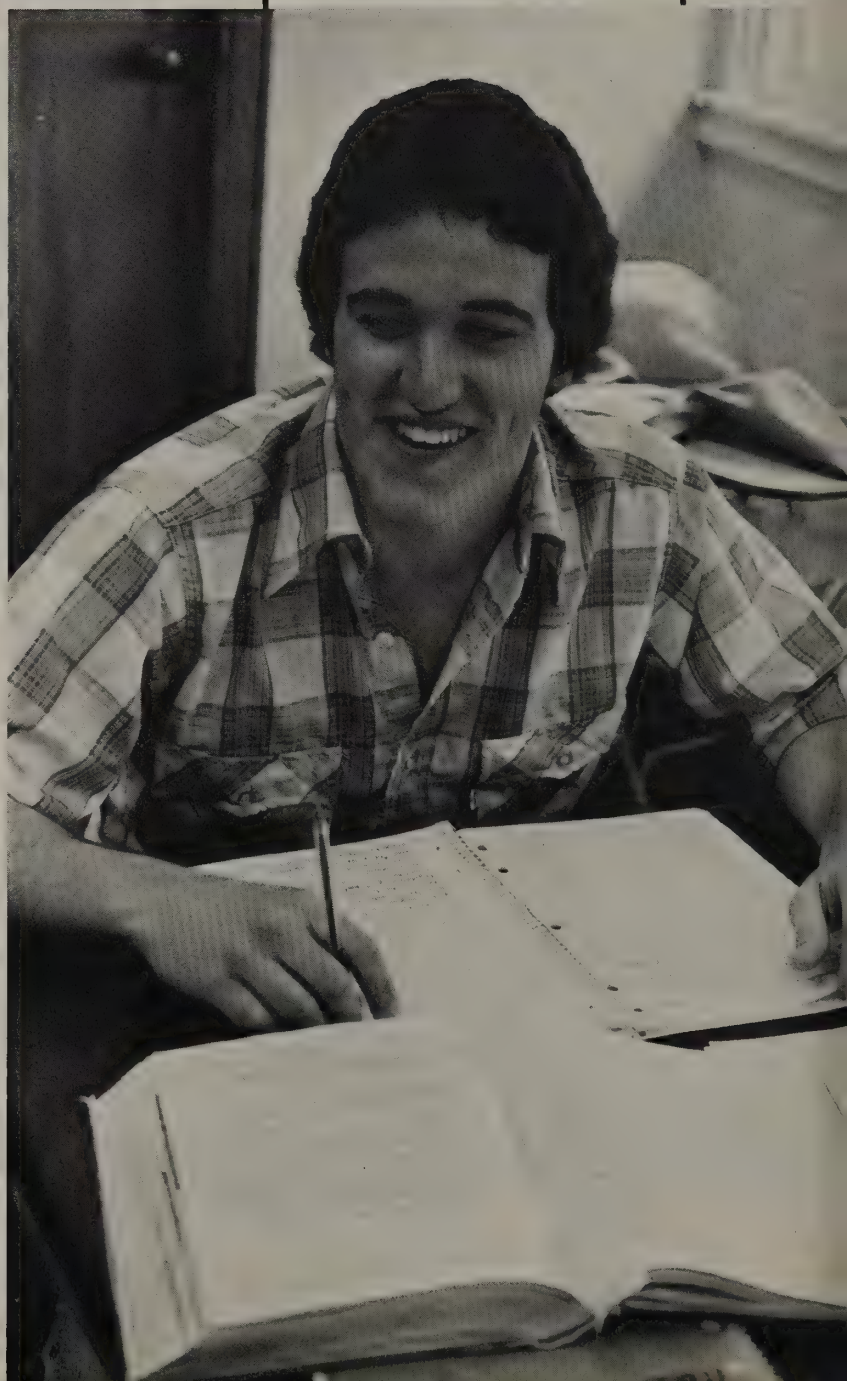
When asked why teachers assigned homework the response ranged from "to help us

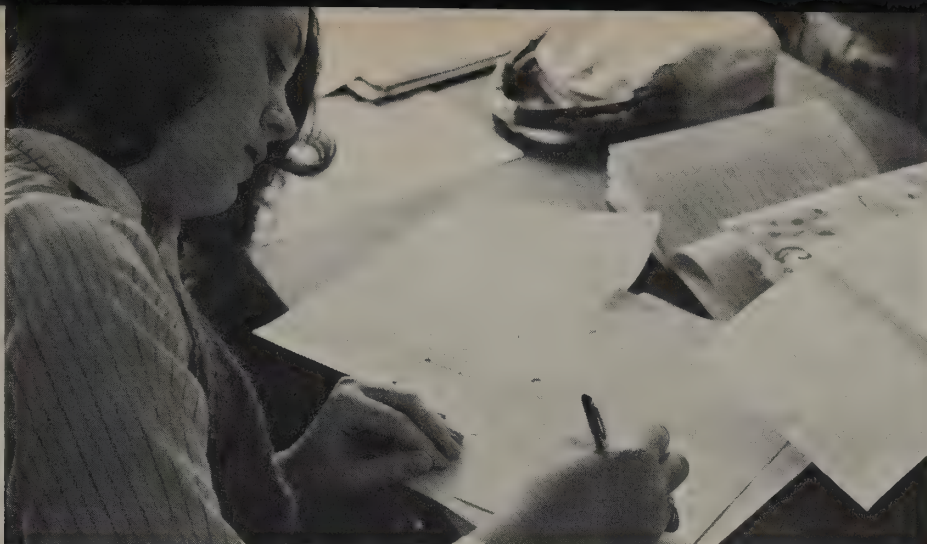
Classwork. Journalism class is sometimes a period for individual work so Tyler Hudson sneaks time to do his late math assignment.



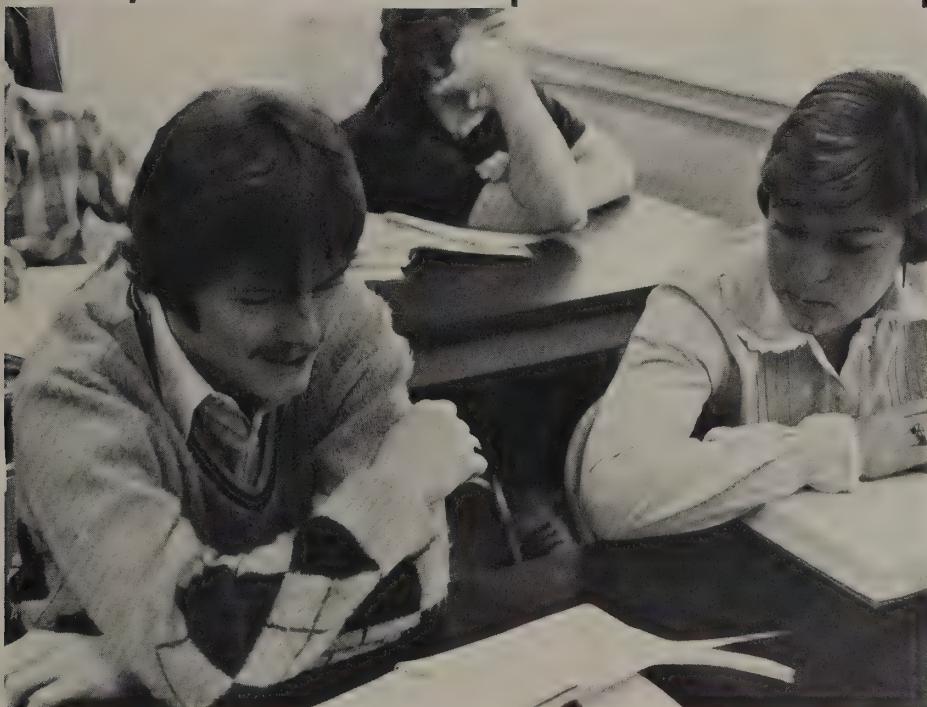
Deadline. Working before the morning bell, Sarah Dunavant rushes to finish her "Star" assignment.

Cramming. Dean Throckmorton uses his notes to study for a test dealing with the constitution.





Format. Cindy Reaves revises some footnotes on her term papers, her largest assignment of the year.



would rather keep homework.

Chuck Hudson, who favors tests only, said, "Most of the students in my classes don't do homework and still pass, so what good is it?"

Finally in the comment section most of the students said something. Some asked teachers to remember that they had other classes. Others just expressed their dislike for it.

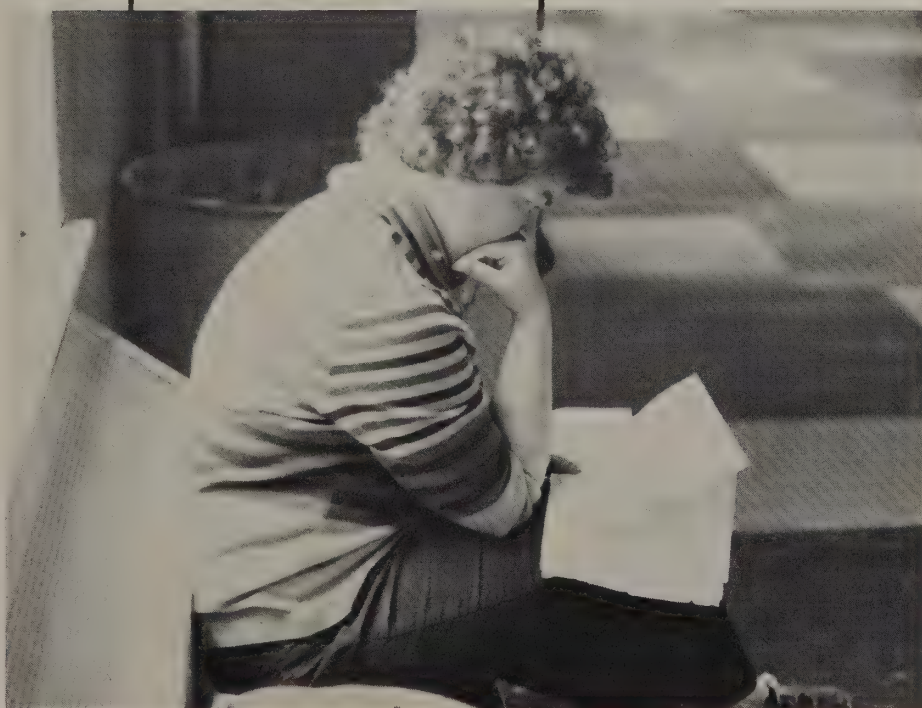
"Homework may not be popular and fun, but it is necessary," was the response of many students. Perhaps William Britton sums it up best. "Only a fool would turn down the chance to make good grades by doing homework...I think I am the biggest fool there is."

Study time. David Lowery and Frances Rebick look over his notes to prepare for a government test.

learn" to "so they can finish the book." Almost everyone said something like extra practice, help in learning, better understanding of the material. One student said teachers give homework as something to do to keep students out of trouble. "They just like to grade papers," commented one student.

According to the survey all of the teachers take grades on homework almost always.

Did students rather have just test grades with no homework? A few who detested homework and had good test grades said test grades only was fine. But a large majority said homework grades helped pull up test grades, so they



Opportunist. Arriving at school early gives Rebecca Whitlow more time to study for an English test.

It's what students have in common

Covergirl. Ms. Debby Severs informs occupational clothing students of careers in fashion and modeling.



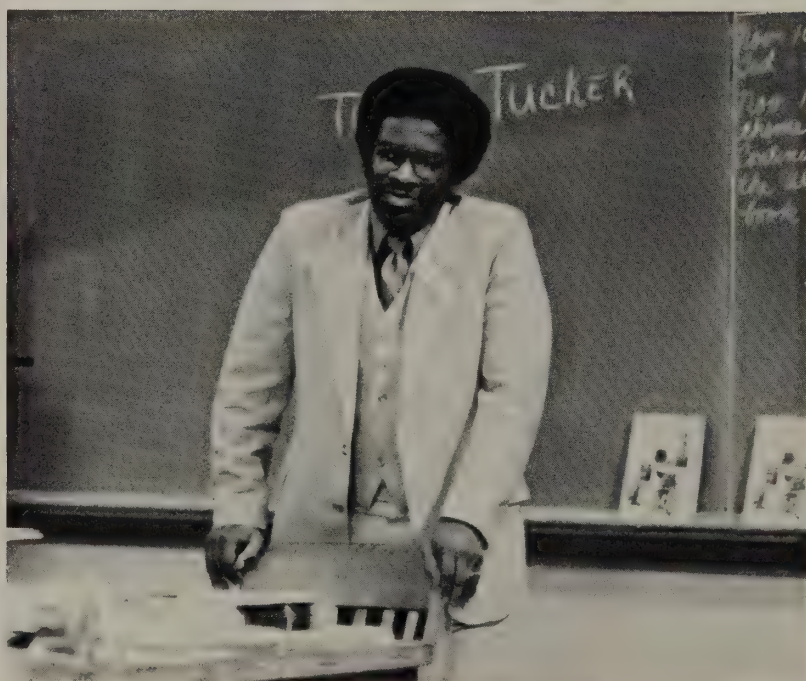
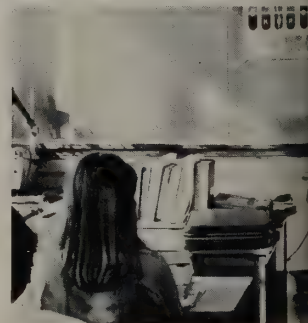
Robert's rules. Conducting meetings properly and fairly is Mr. Worth Hudson's topic for the FBLA.



Big wheel. Miss Julia Tuck's class learns more about their county government from Mr. Larry Wuensch, county manager.

Mr. Jefferson's representative. On College Night, UVA's speaker was one of over 100 college and universities represented.

Businessman. An ITT representative demonstrates machine shorthand to a number of business classes.





Food beautician. Mrs. Greenwood's classes were shown ways to decorate food by an Army chef using produce.



"Class, today Mr. John Doe will speak to us about pesticides."

"A speaker! Anybody's a relief from Miss Fussbox."

"A speaker! I've always wanted to learn about pesticides."

"A speaker! He's kind of cute."

"A speaker! Now Miss Fussbox will never see me taking my nap."

As can be imagined, any speaker-tall or short, fat or thin, male or female, interesting or boring-was a welcome change from the classroom humdrums. Students were treated to a broad spectrum of speakers ranging from a woman member of the military police to a chef who formed beautiful shapes from vegetables.

The Guidance Department arranged for many of the speakers to tell about their own

careers to students interested in that field. These men and women answered such basic job related questions as "Do I need college for this job?" and "How much do you make?"

Another guidance-sponsored program was College Night. Representatives of colleges throughout Virginia and nearby states informed students about college in general and their college in particular.

The Guidance Department, however, didn't monopolize the speaker market. Active clubs like the FBLA also invited people to address their members.

Last but not least, vocational and academic classes heard varied speeches from people as nearby as the courthouse or as far away as a Norfolk-based submarine.



Accountant. At a career conference Mr. Harold Camp explains the qualifications for the job.

Listening to the experts

Vocational classes offer more than learning from books

Perhaps one of the least visible areas of school life is the block of vocational classes. Sure, everybody knows that agriculture and industrial arts are vocational classes. But what about business, home economics, drafting, ICT and DE.

If you stop to think about it, all of these classes are vocational too. All of them

are occupationally oriented. The skills one learns in these classes are career-related. The students in these classes work with things: tools, typewriters, foods and crops-not just books.

Okay, so a person can learn job and living skills here, so what? The thing a person comes to school for is an education, right?

Right. And what is more important than knowing how to diaper a baby or to make a bookcase. An education is more than reading and math, history and science. An education is learning how to think; how to be independent and self-providing. Vocational classes take care of this.

There are seven departments included

under the vocational heading. There is the agriculture department teaching prospective farmers production and management methods.

The industrial arts department contains machine and tool operation and building instruction. Business students practice

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News girl. Paula Irby, a VICA worker at the "Gazette-Virginian," explains her job to Wayne Johnson at the Industrial-Vocational Fair.

Paper printer. As part of his job at the Halifax County School Board Office, Thomas Logan operates a printing machine.



Last check. Larry Rowe gives his equipment a final adjustment before getting ready for work.





Green thumb. During horticulture class, Randy Mulchi looks over a few of his greenhouse geraniums.

Vocational classes offer more than book learning

(Continued from page 58) secretarial and clerical sciences. Students in home economics study the homemaker and her work. ICT and DE (two separate areas) train workers how to be better workers. The function of the drafting department is really self-explanatory, as are the names of the other departments.

Although they are all related, these departments are each a separate and complex area. The following paragraphs explain in more detail the workings of these many parts of the vocational area.

Traditionally, when one thinks of vocational classes, he thinks of agriculture or "ag".

Five years of agriculture and one year of horticulture are currently offered. "Ag" students receive instruction in farm

management, crop science, livestock production and machinery operation. Because farming requires a considerable amount of mechanical ability, shop training is also part of agriculture. To practice what they learn, students in the department are required to have a project. A project may be raising beef cattle or producing a corn crop. In all of the projects there is a considerable amount of recordkeeping, and these records are constantly checked by the agriculture teachers, sometimes for grades. All ag students participate in the Future Farmers of America, an organization that has benefits and rewards for those that excel in it.

This next department is usually thought of as "girls classes" yet many boys are finding these

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Wooden cars? Mr. George Paige explains the chassis design of these miniature wooden cars to James Fitzgerald and Gary McCraw.



Behind the ears. In family living, Jennifer Brooks gets her chance to bathe a baby.



Receipt writer. At Daf's, Amy Frakes cheerfully writes out a customer's receipt.



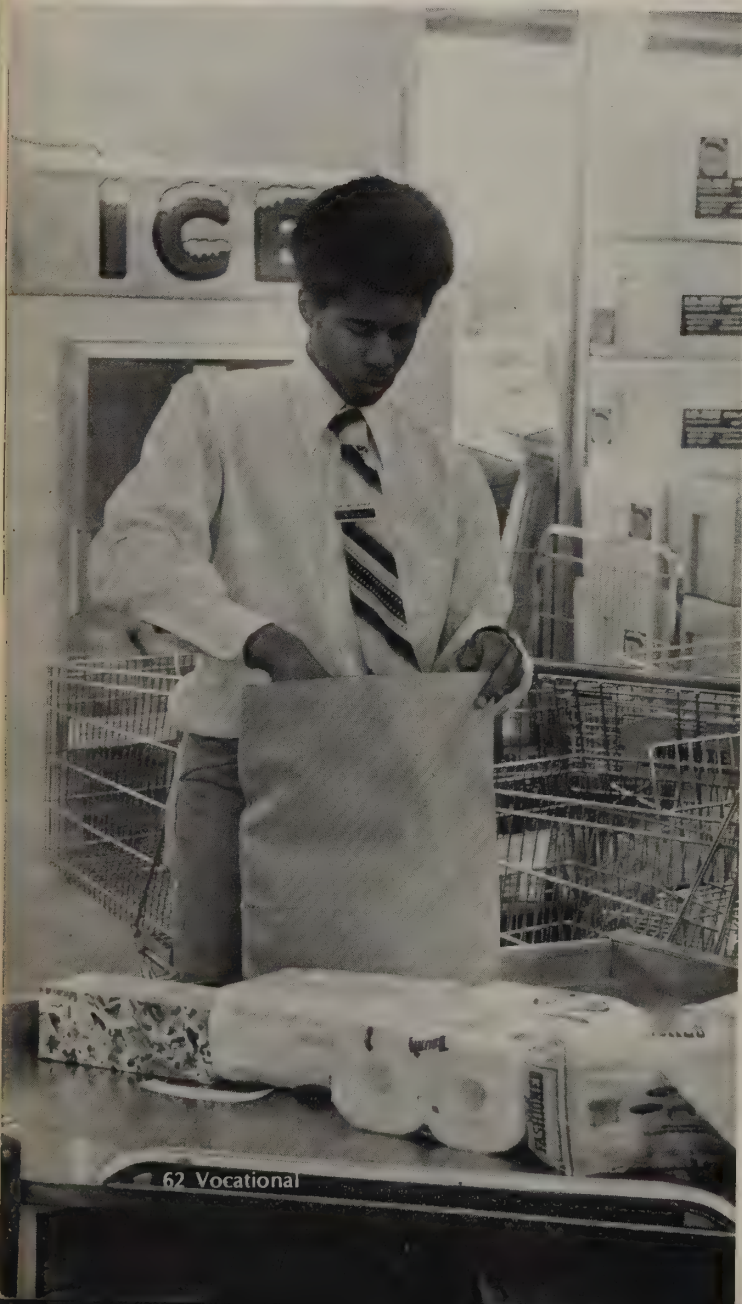
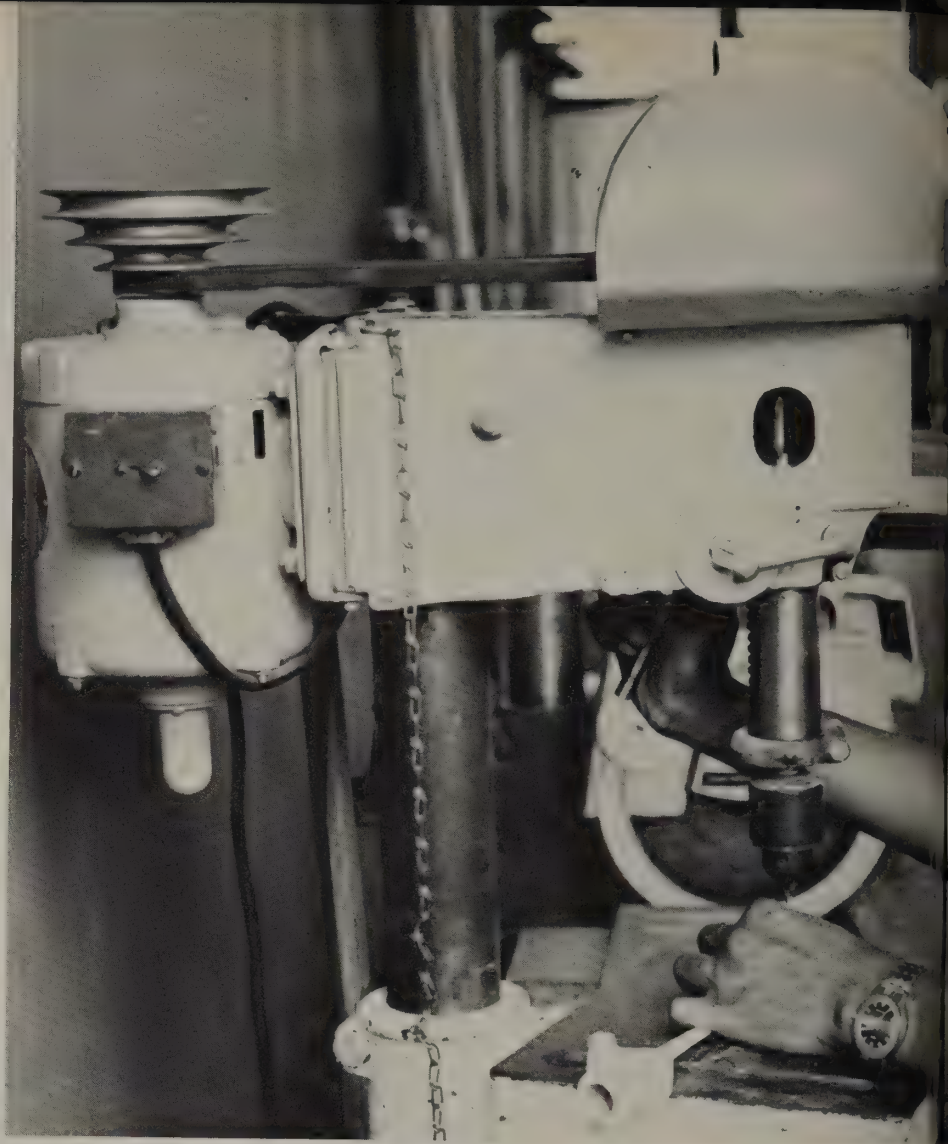
News writer. Tammy Church types up some news as part of her work at the "Gazette-Virginian" newspaper.

Clickety-clack. Sherry Waller sharpens up her typing skills at school in preparation for her job that afternoon.



Safety drill. Steve Clauden uses a drill to finish up his industrial arts project quickly and safely.

Check checker. Filing checks is just one of Henry Buchanan's duties at United Virginia Bank.



Brown bagging. Winn Dixie employee Dennis McCraw bags up some groceries for a customer.

New page. Typing is a big part of Cheryl Link's job at the Halifax County School Board Office.

Prize plant. Randy Bagby proudly displays his plant project to no one in particular.





Vocational classes offer more than book learning

(Continued from page 60) classes useful. Home economics includes homemaking, childcare, cooking, sewing and family living.

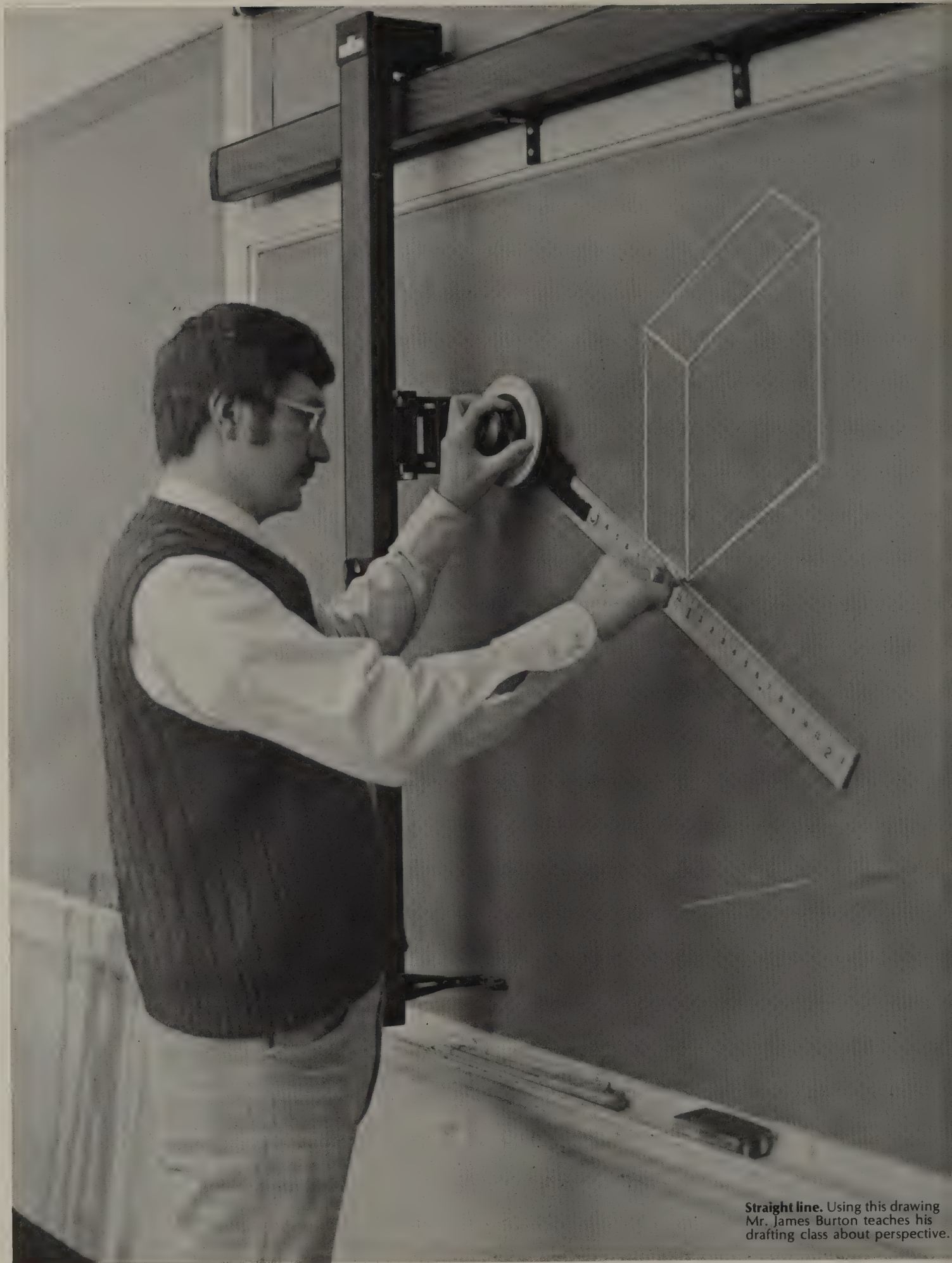
These classes prepare prospective homemakers for their careers. Over the year home economics students study budgets, sewing, health, and many of the things homemakers must know. There is an organization for "home ec" students. The Future Homemakers of America is a very active club, with some of its members attending conventions as representatives of this chapter.

Distributive Education is the third vocational area. It teaches prospective merchants the ins and outs of retailing and selling. Most of the second year DE students are placed in jobs that help train them in merchandising. That is

why everyday at 1:20, dozens of students hop in their Vegas and Pintos and scoot to work. The classroom segment of DE features economics, job safety and an in-depth study of students chosen field of distribution. The DECA club consists of all DE students. It is very active in competition with other clubs. It is also very active in school affairs.

The business department is another of the seven. Business classes include typing, recordkeeping, shorthand, stenography, and general business for their personal use. Mrs. Akers, department head, commented that if there were suddenly no secretaries the world would be paralyzed. The Future Business Leaders of America is the club for business students. They listen to speakers and

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Straight line. Using this drawing Mr. James Burton teaches his drafting class about perspective.

Vocational classes offer more than book learning

(Continued from page 63) participate in other business-oriented activities. Let's hope we turn out plenty of secretaries so we will never have a shortage of them.

The Industrial Cooperative Training (ICT) courses are for students interested in career training in a variety of jobs. Students are taught matters concerning getting jobs, insurance, tax, economics and others dealing with the world of work. VICA is the ICT club with its

members winning statewide recognition in competition with other clubs. ICT students also leave school for on-the-job training during the day. Many ICT students move into full-time jobs after graduation that were the same jobs they had at training sites.

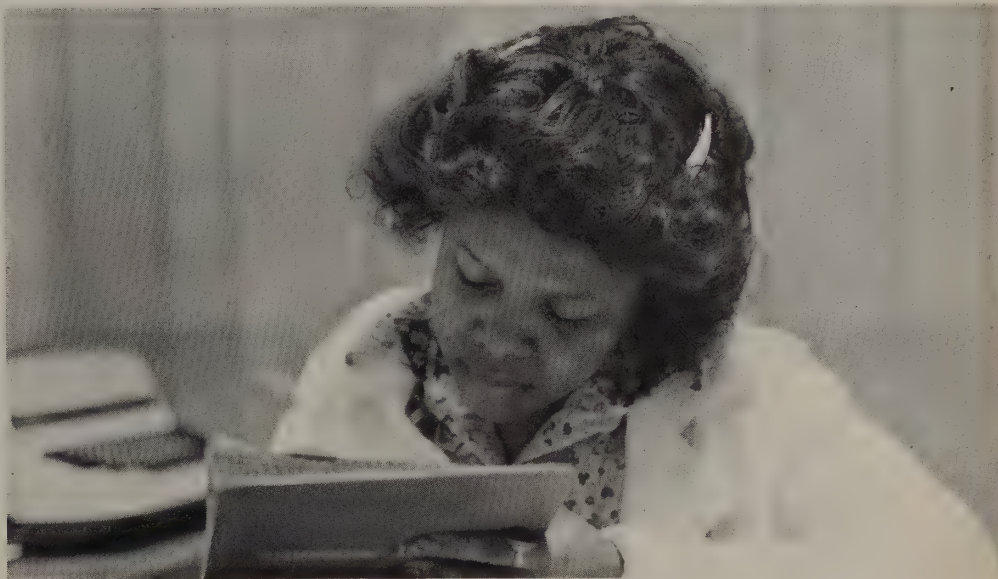
Industrial arts students have two classrooms: one with desks, the other with table saws. Anyone who enjoys working with his hands would probably enjoy industrial arts. Prospective builders, mechanics and

repairmen learn how to use the tools of the trade. They also are taught safety, electrical wiring, plumbing and basic carpentry. AISA is the club of the industrial arts department with its members building exhibits and attending conventions.

The drafting classes are slightly different than the other vocational classes. They last three hours! There are two drafting courses. The first teaches a student to become a draftsman. The second year leads to architectural

drawing. Of all the departments drafting is the smallest with about 25 students.

So, there you have it. A rundown of the seven vocational departments. It seems like the last few yearbooks have given only small coverage to these classes while they contain almost half of the enrollment. Also this section is here to preserve the way these classes are before they are restructured next year. After this year, the vocational classes will never be the same.



School worker. In the main office, HCSH employee Donna Garner looks up a student's schedule.

Furniture worker. As a Heilig Meyers employee, Billy Wazeka makes use of a handy index file.

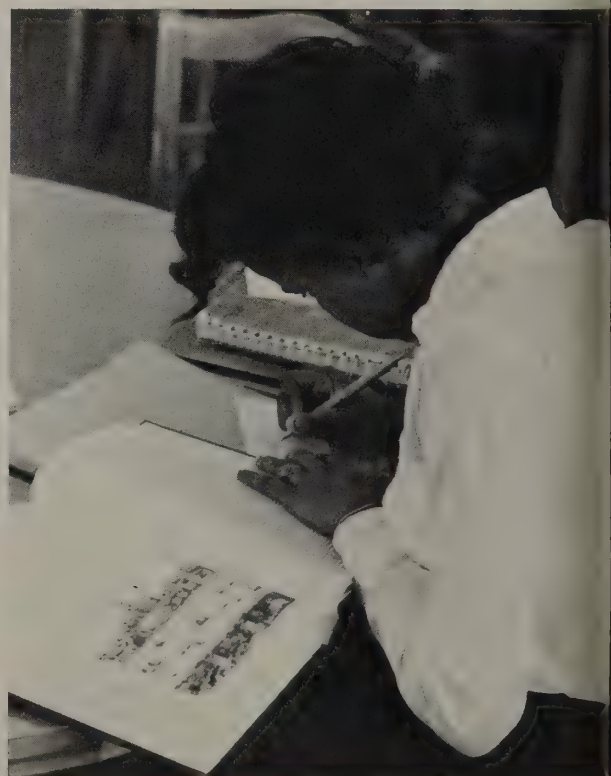
Medical assistant. Sharon Whitt, demonstrates her medical skills at the South Boston Clinic.



Note taker. Susan Crews carefully copies notes for her term paper, hoping to avoid plagiarism.



Handy helper. A check with the book reassures Charles Michel before he completes his card.



More notes. Encyclopedia enthusiast Agnes Bradley uses the book for yet another note card.

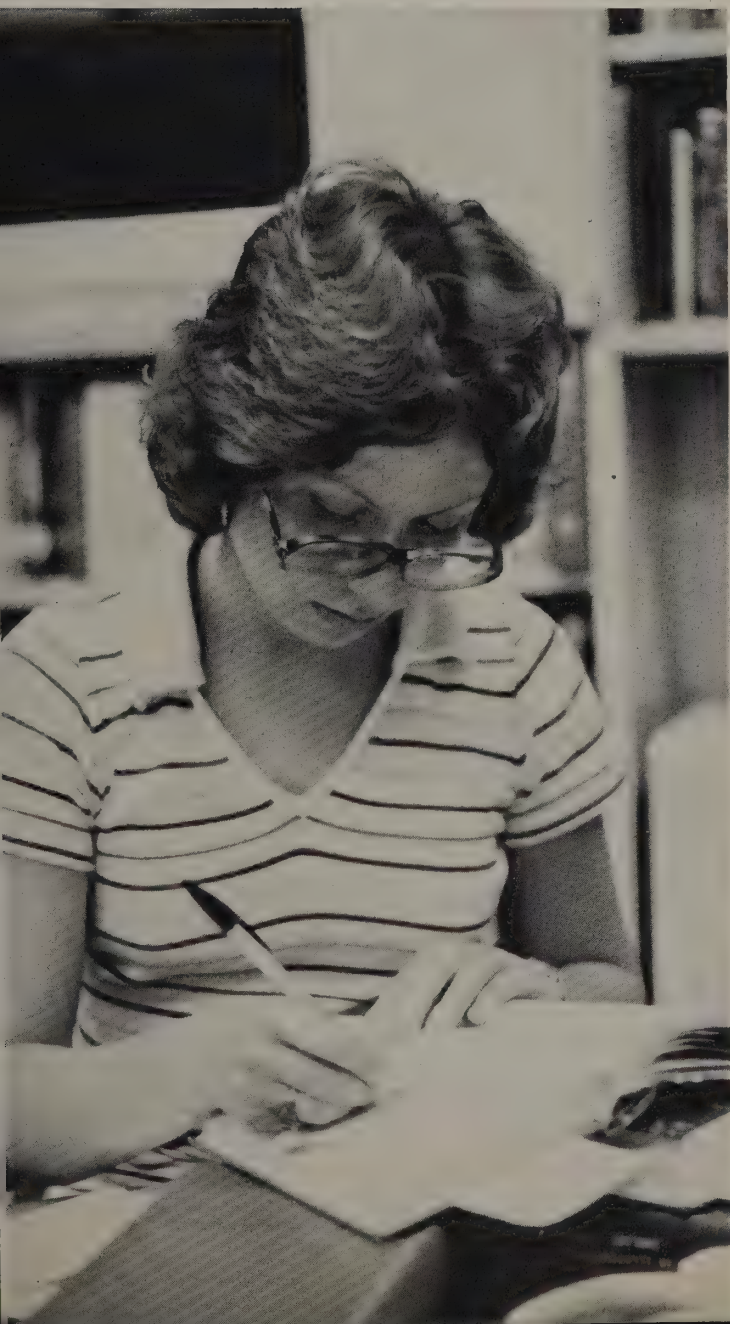


Moment of truth. An unknown junior's paper gets the pen from Mrs. Carolyn Wagner, CP English 11.

Catalog user. Alan Yates gets an early start on writing his bibliography cards.



Term paper disease no epidemic



Writing term papers: a necessary evil for most college-bound juniors and seniors.

Some people thought that they should be dropped altogether, others regarded them as necessary; still others complained about the long hours and too-important grade; some even suggested that term papers should start in the lower grades.

John Hall, a senior, felt term papers "shouldn't be graded as hard as they are, but two years of experience in writing them will help in college."

Another senior, Agnes Hines, totally disagreed. "I think they are a waste of time and a lot of headaches," she said. "Doing one won't help me prepare for college."

Junior Hugh Carr thought that writing his term paper was "fun" after he got started. "Tenth graders should do one next year," he added.

Term papers created hassles for juniors, seniors, teachers and librarians alike.

Junior Laura Miller, who stayed up until 3 a.m. the morning term papers were due, said, "I had to fight over the books that I wanted to take home at night."

Felicia Abbott, a senior, recalled staying up all night to finish her term paper then leaving it at home the next morning.

When asked if she knew any amusing stories about term papers, Mrs. Ann Conner, CP and AP English 12 teacher, quipped, "The only stories I know about term papers are sad."

Term papers continued to be the problem of only those students enrolled in CP and AP English 11 and 12 or Mr. Dave Lawson's U.S. history classes. And so the "term paper blues" is a well-regulated disease, not an epidemic...yet.

Last minute. On the last night that the library was open, Becky Vaughan busily copies some notes.

Happy horticulture. During a film presentation, horticulture teacher Mr. Willie Simmons becomes amused.

Approved reading. Jeffrey Williams hands a book to U.S. history teacher Mr. Dave Lawson to get it approved.



The hazel switch has disappeared

Today's student should consider himself lucky because of all those modern, marvelous modes of teaching available to teachers now. Gone (or almost gone) are the days when a teacher had to rely on his trusty hazel switch to keep the attention of the class.

Yes, twentieth century technology has greatly expanded the teacher's means of holding onto the ever-shortening attention span of the student, and local teachers have put most of these and some medieval and even ancient methods to rest.

From the beginning of time, man has used his

hands to supplement his speaking voice. Teachers ardently adhere to this school of thought. At any time of day, a teacher may be observed demonstrating a theory or emphasizing a point with his hands. All of this activity prompted one student to say that her teacher "couldn't talk if his hands were tied behind his back."

Some teachers have improved upon this method by adding blackboard drawings, maps, globes, charts and a pointer to direct the students attention to the object. The pointer also comes in handy when a

student falls asleep in class.

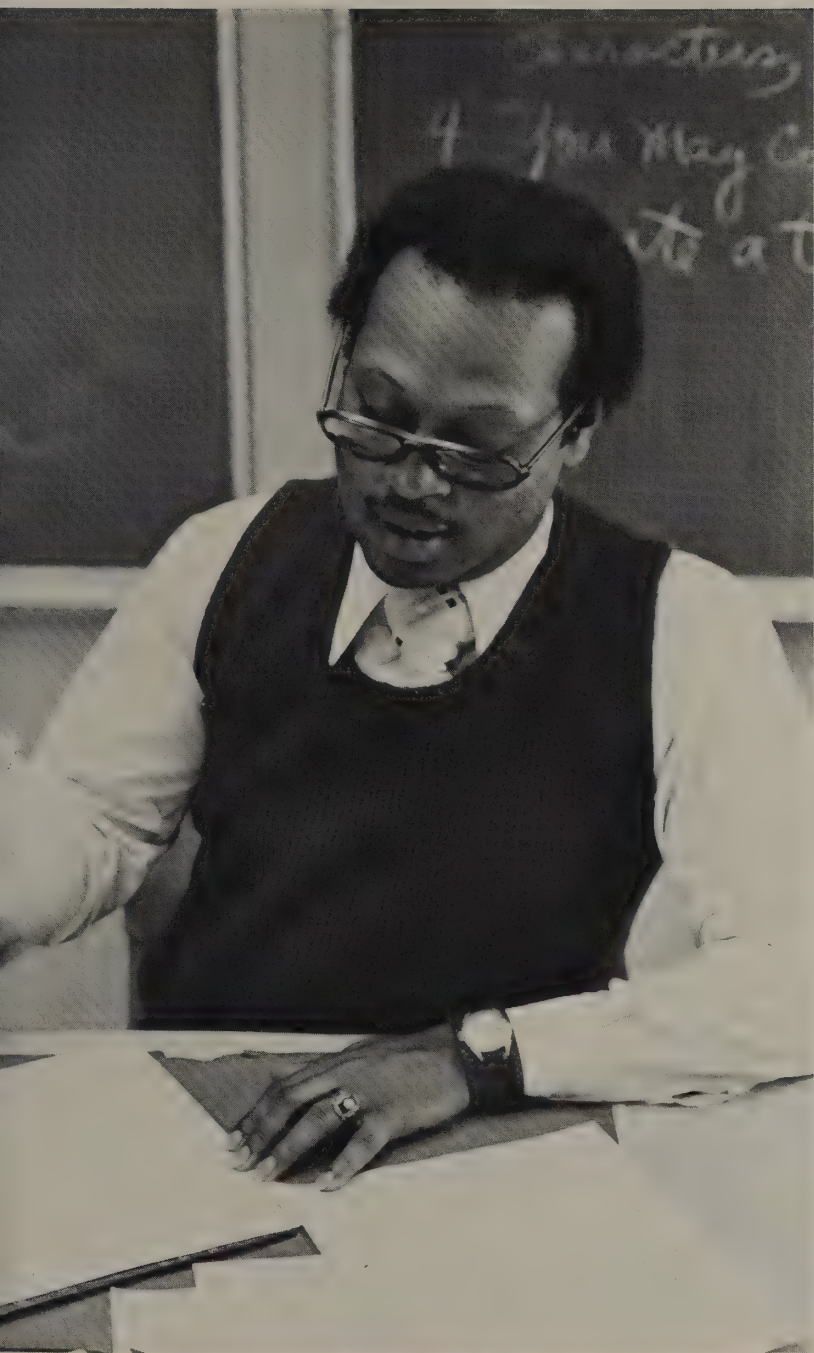
A popular variation of the lecture is the demonstration.

Demonstrations range from U.S. history teacher Mr. Terry Holt's impersonation of a Confederate soldier getting shot to family living teacher Mrs. Ann Whitehurst showing the proper way to bathe a baby.

Another important way teachers teach is by example. Perhaps this is best seen in the physical education classes where Coach Elvin Dyer may demonstrate the proper way to angle the handball

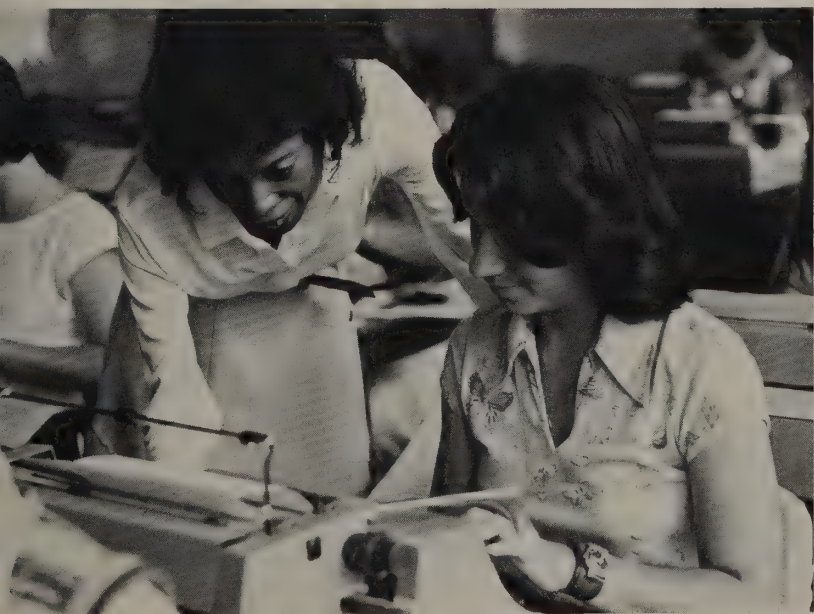
or Coach Ann Cochran may teach a volleyball spike.

Moving along to the more modern methods of teaching, there is a great deal of audio-visual equipment in use. Many teachers, especially the English variety, used records. CP English students were bombarded for two weeks by Mrs. Carolyn Wagner with the poems of Frost and the stories of Poe. Filmstrips and films were popular with students, particularly the sleepy ones in the back of the room. A relatively new device, the videotaped television (Continued on page 71)



Busy schedule. Mr. Leon Palmer checks this week's crowded activity schedule and does paperwork.

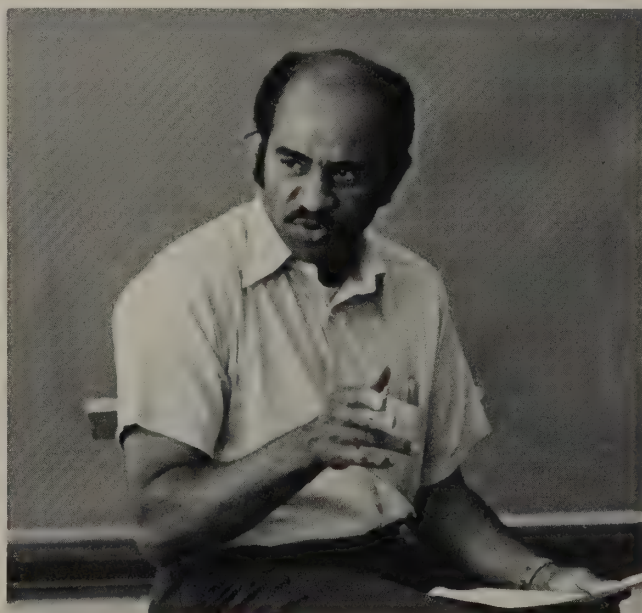
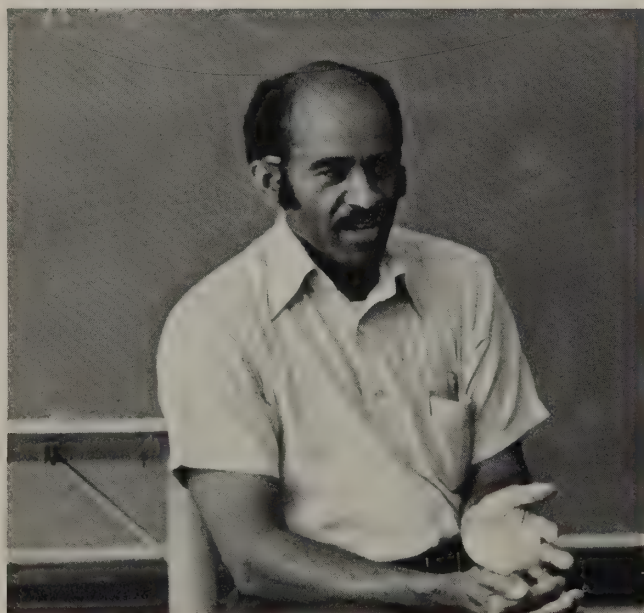
Right answer. After explaining a problem on the board, Mrs. Catherine Wilson repeats an answer.



The fourth "R." Miss Julia Tuck adds a fourth "R" to her class's repertoire with an educational 45.

Friendly fingers. Mrs. Helen Coleman lends a helping hand to a typing student Patricia Newbill.

Dissection perfection. CP Biology teacher Mrs. Katherine Overstreet shows her class a fetal pig.



Baby bath. In a family living class, Mrs. Ann Whitehurst demonstrates the way to wash a baby.

Music maestro. Using his hands as batons, stage band director Mr. John Tucker sets the beat.



Teachers no longer rely on trusty hazel switches

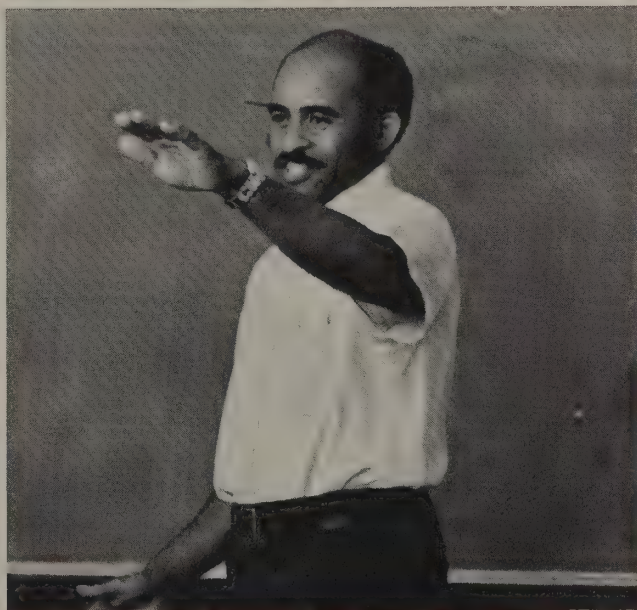
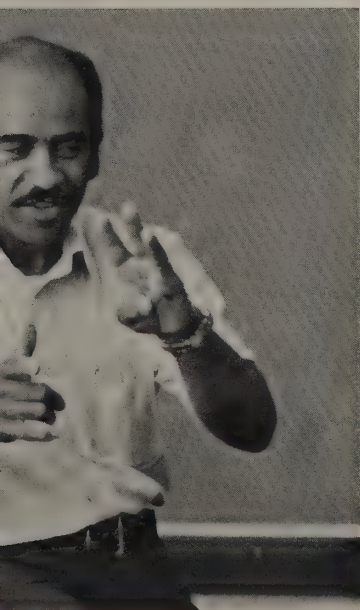
(Continued from page 68) program, was also used often by teachers, and TV news programs were viewed by government classes. Miss Judy Owen, Latin teacher, brought her own visuals and provided the audio for her frequent slide shows of Italy.

Perhaps the most popular teaching method among students is the field trip. English and drama students traveled to the Virginia Museum in Richmond to see Noel Coward's "Private Lives," a play set in the 1920's. Another play viewed by English students was the Longwood Players of Farmville production of "Hamlet." Miss Judy Owen and some of her

Latin students went to New York to view the Pompeian art exhibit there, and Miss Pauline Vrbanic, Spanish teacher, accompanied some of her students all the way to sunny Spain. However, many seniors were disappointed when the annual trip to Washington, was canceled when there were no chaperones.

But, of course, there is no substitute for the spoken word when it comes to teaching, as driver education students will agree. Many of them will always remember the clear-cut directions of the gentle voice of Mr. Tyrone Powell from the tower:

"All right, Car Two, slow down! You ain't Richard Petty, ya know!"



Active agriculture. Mr. Lealand Luck runs the gamut of facial expressions and hand gestures as he lectures to his class.

Bubble gum helps. Sharon Martin finds that gum helps her run, but she was later called out for leaving the bag too early. Halifax beat Glass anyway.





Sports

Sports divide into three groups: the headliners (football, basketball, etc.), those in the middle (girls' sports, the JV's, etc.) and those offering individual challenges (wrestling, track, etc.). That's the way we saw the sports scene. We also saw it as a year of ups and downs when individuals stood out: Steve Bandy in cross country, Amanda Farmer in basketball, Milton Carden in track and Charlie Hightower in anything he played. And we didn't wait to get to the new school before we added soccer. So, you see, it was more than a goodbye year.

A year
of ups
and
downs

'Our talent was as good as any.'

A fine 7-3 record could have been a 10-0 season

"It was a rewarding season, but we felt like we could have done better," commented Coach Ron Ramsey. This seemed to be the general attitude of the entire Comet squad, coaches as well as players. With the exception of a few plays, a fine 7-3 record could have been an unblemished 10-0 season, culminating with a trip to the regionals.

The season began with a victory over powerful archrival Person County who finished the season with a 9-1 record. Led by quarterback Mike Gregory, the Blues struck first blood in the first quarter with a touchdown strike to Thomas Thaxton. Hard driving Elmer Banks scored the second touchdown for a 12-0 commanding lead at halftime. The defense played superbly



Ready for more. Linebacker Lonnie Moore (85) finishes off one Knight and waits for the ball carrier. He made the tackle, throwing the runner for a loss in the 26-13 Comet win.

Getting loose, Kenny Word evades a Glass defender in the 12-7 win at home. This offensive burst was a rare event as the Comet defense set up both scores.



throughout the game, and they held off a late score to win 12-9.

Near the halfway point of the season, Halifax and George Washington had identical 5-1 records. The meeting between these two teams usually proves to be exciting and dramatic and this year was no exception because the game (maybe district title) was decided in the last thirty seconds. Mike

Gregory connected with tight end Thomas Thaxton for a forty-yard touchdown pass for an early 7-0 lead. Seconds before the half, GW knotted the score at 7-7. Both teams moved the ball well in the second half, but they were unable to mount a scoring drive. With thirty seconds remaining, GW Quarterback Woody Fowler hurled a desperate pass which was caught for a surpris-

ing 13-7 victory.

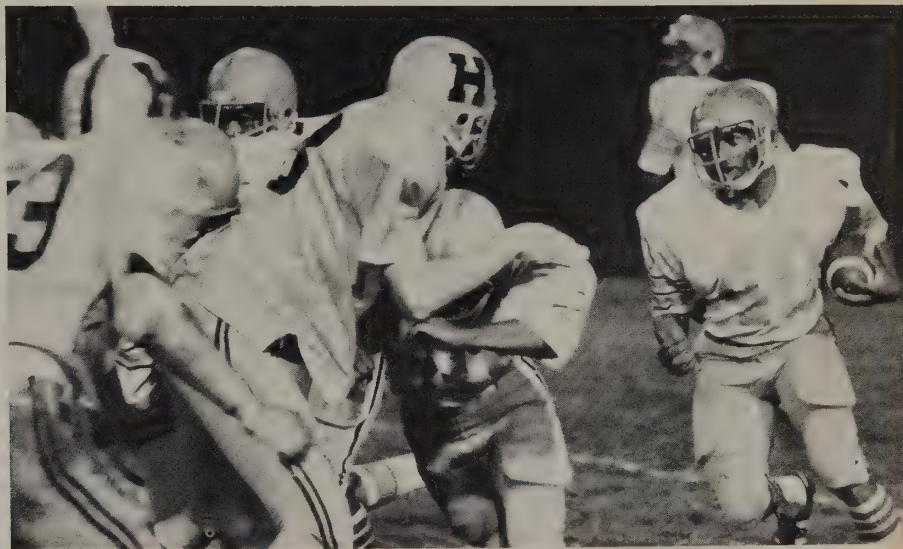
Many Comet supporters felt that the GW game would prove to be the Blues' nemesis, but the Comets bounced back to beat Glass 12-7. Starting his first game of the season, Sophomore Anthony Senior blocked a punt and recovered a fumble to set up both scores.

Halifax defeated Charlottesville 26-13 in a hard fought battle which proved to be the

Comets' best offensive showing of the year. With the running of Elmer Banks, Nathan Berkley and Kenny Word, the Blues recorded more than 350 yards of total offense. QB Mike Gregory connected on several key passes to keep drives go-

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Movin' out. Comet linemen drive the Heritage defenders back to give Elmer Banks (40) running room.



Intense concentration. Defensive Coach Fred Palmore watches his defensive team against GW.

Firein' off. Comet linemen keep low against Charlottesville as Mike Gregory hands off to Nathan Berkley.

Varsity Football Record 7-3

	HCSH	OPP.
Person Co.	12	9
Franklin Co.	12	22
Albemarle	34	20
William Fleming	7	3
Salem	6	0
Martinsville	14	7
G.W.	7	13
E.C. Glass	12	7
Charlottesville	26	13
Heritage	15	17

A fine 7-3 football record could have been 10-0

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ing. The defense held the high scoring Knights to just thirteen points, way below their season average.

When the Comets ventured to Lynchburg to play Heritage, they had high hopes of making the regional playoffs as a wild card team. Throughout the contest, the lead changed hands several times with Heritage coming out on top 17-15. The Pioneers executed a fake punt which enabled them to later kick a field goal with a minute to play. A desperation pass and a fake punt were key plays that kept the Comets from winning the district. They had the caliber of players to win the Northwest Regional and, who knows, maybe the state.

Coach Ron Ramsey commented, "I think we should have beaten GW and Heritage. We were close in ability to them. This was the strongest team physically we have ever had due to the weight program. We had a balanced attack."

Coach Frosty Owen stated, "In the beginning the team was not optimistic; but after the Martinsville victory, they realized that they could go all the way. Our talent was as good as any."

The bounce of the ball a few different ways could have meant a district championship. Some of the players comment-

ed on the season.

Velentino Jones said, "It was the best unit I ever played with. I improved since my junior year."

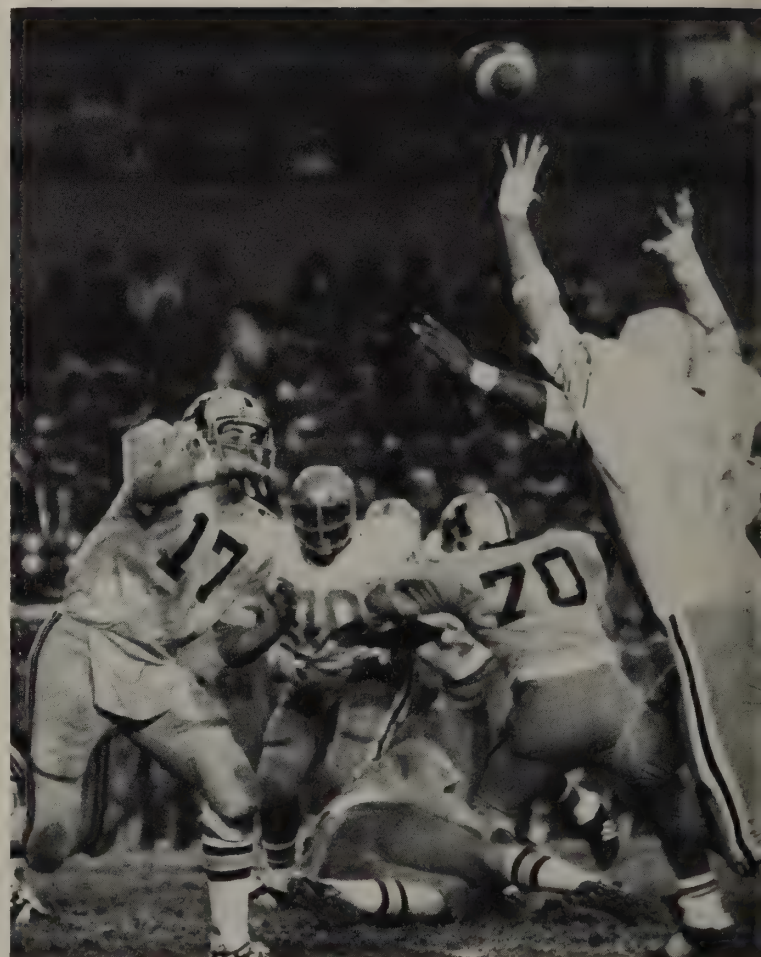
Injury prone Kenny Word said, "It was a disappointment because I had to play with injuries. I'm glad I didn't burden the team. The season wasn't a total failure because I got scholarship offers."

Sport Guthrie commented, "The hard work paid off, and I would do it again if I had the chance. I wish we could have made the playoffs."

Mike (Slomo) Gregory said, "It was a close-knit team and I was glad to be a part of it. If a few plays had gone in our favor, the season would have been a total success."

It was one of the Comets' better seasons over the past eight years. The season had its fine times as well as its disappointments. Two players, Tino Jones and Charlie Hightower, were named to the All-Western District first team.

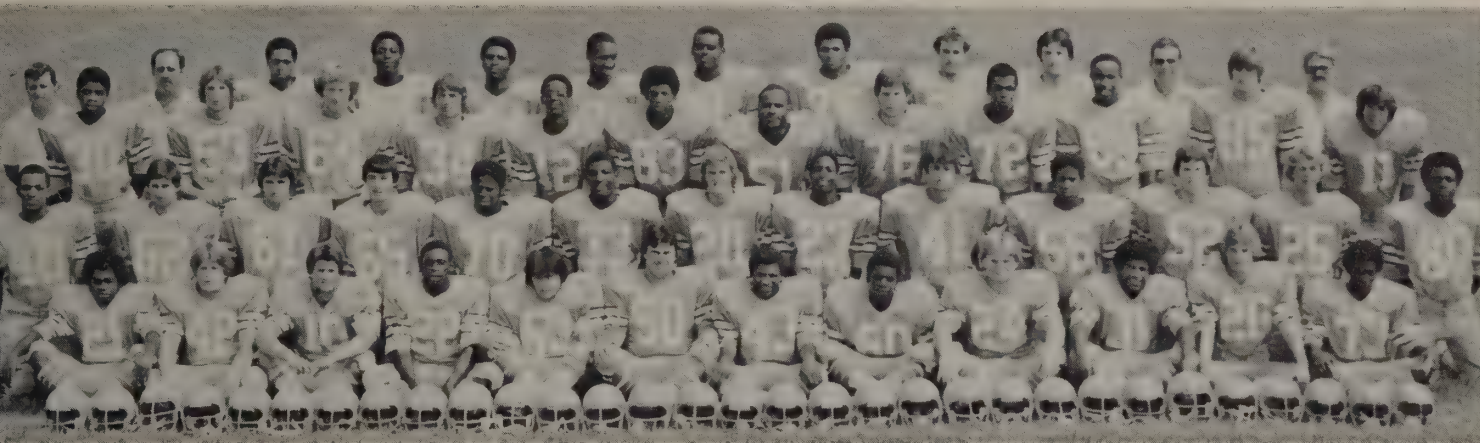
Several players will continue their football careers on the collegiate level: Lonnie Moore, William & Mary; Kenny Word, the University of Virginia; Charlie Hightower, East Tennessee State University; Thomas Thaxton, Ferrum; Valentino Jones, Morgan State; Mike Gregory, Washington and Lee and Elmer Banks, Virginia Union.



Hands up. End Bill Crews almost blocks a pass from Heritage quarterback Doug Knowles.

Tells the story. The Blues 17-15 loss to Heritage prevented them from playing in the regionals.

Plowing through. Fullback Nathan Berkley fights for yardage in the 26-13 win over Charlottesville.



Varsity football. (First row) Ben Hogue, Burt Bell, Mike Norton, Vernon Womack, Daryl Francis, Jeff Owen, Tony Black, Albert Sanford, Jay Williams, Richard Trent, Jerry McCormick, Eddie Ballou, **(second row)** Elmer Banks, Todd Dillow, Alan Wallace, Robert Powell.

Anthony Senior, Doug Traynham, Sport Guthrie, Mike Bowman, Carl Ward, Russell Logan, Craig Anderson, Mark Ridgeway, Tim Kirby, **(third row)** Nathan Berkley, Dale Harris, Kenneth Epps, Donald Murphy, Mark James, Herbert Ferrell, Charlie Hightower, Brian Humphrey, Roderick

McCargo, Thomas Thaxton, Lonnie Moore, Mike Gregory, **(fourth row)** Coach Fred Palmore, Coach Ron Ramsey, Lawrence Ferrell, Tommy Crews, Kenneth Word, Orlando Irby, Tino Jones, Ed Davenport, Billy Crews, Kevin Watts, Coach John Crittenden, Coach Frosty Owens.

Plugs the hole. Linebacker Kenneth Epps (64) and friends stop a Salem runner for no gain. The Comets won, 6-0.



'All our games with GW were special'

While the basketball season wasn't what you could call a complete success, individual players and coaches harbor many memories. Having an 8-13 season was not the team's hope, but enjoying playing the game was.

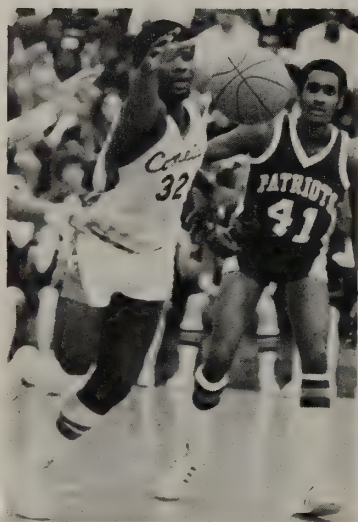
First-year coach John Crittenden pointed out several highlights in the Comets' season. "Well, it is sort of ironic, but all our GW games were special, especially the one we won in the Christmas Classic. Beating Roxoboro at their place when we were 14 points down at the half was a highlight. And I would say beating Heritage was a highlight because it was our first district win."

Playing basketball didn't

mean just practicing and getting psyched up for the games, Bill Chambers and Kenny Long agreed. "The hardest thing about basketball," said Bill, "was practicing, especially the sprints. But it was fun. Basketball helped me meet new people and make new friends." Kenny, commenting on the season, said, "I love basketball anyway. It helped me to keep in shape and to meet a lot of other players on other teams."

When asked about their highlights, the players seemed to have a special liking (or hate) for the GW games. Kenny commented, "The highlight of the season was when we beat George

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Catch that ball. James Hill leads the race to catch the ball in a district game with Albemarle.



Jubilation. The ball fails to drop for GW's Kenny Beck as Todd Trickey and Bill Chambers celebrate their victory over GW in the Virginia-Carolina Christmas Classic.

Comet territory. Only blue shirts can be seen as Tom McLaughlin snares this rebound. Duane McCargo, William Conner and Todd Trickey surround the ball.

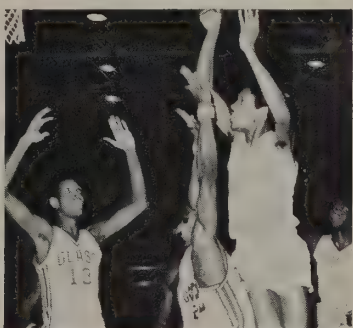




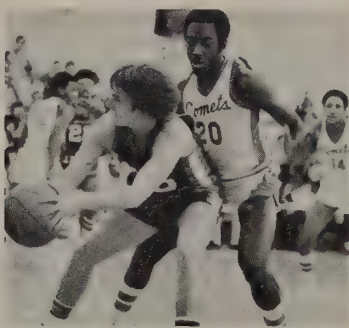
Follow the leader. Although he's not playing games, Coach John Crittenden instructs his players to copy his motions in practice.



On the defensive. The Comets zone Heritage as Todd Trickey keeps an intent eye on the Pioneers' Dennis Knight. James Hill and Jerry Dillard wait.



Over the top. Charles Cheek skies for two as Bill Chambers backs him up against Glass opponents. The Comets lost the game by one point.



Super D. The Comets best defensive player, Jerry Dillard, applies the pressure on an E.C. Glass guard.

Eye on the basket. As he prepares for a shot, James Hill takes a long look at the goal. Jerry Dillard follows in the background.

Varsity Basketball 1978-79
Record: 8-13

	HCSH	OPP.
Bluestone	64	67
Person Co.	49	58
Salem	49	54
William Fleming	50	48
Salem	69	67
Bluestone	72	63
Person Co.	58	62
GW	53	52
William Fleming	47	46
E.C. Glass	50	65
Charlottesville	68	72
GW	52	68
E.C. Glass	61	63
Albemarle	55	62
Heritage	66	52
Albemarle	57	71
Person Co.	59	56
Charlottesville	59	62
GW	75	82
Heritage	50	46
Charlottesville	48	52



Hands up. "No way I touched the ball," or so Jerry Dillard seems to be saying as the Comets battle Albemarle.



Big bow. Benjie Adams lands an elbow in Glass's Greg McConville's stomach as he tries to get to the basket and make a score.

Coach, players remember three GW games as special highlights of season

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Washington in the Christmas tournament." Benjie Adams, who had his finest game of the year against GW and its All-Star center Kenny Beck, said, "The game I played against Beck at GW was a lot of fun."

Tom McLaughlin, who also had an excellent game against GW, remarked, "I remember when Beck pushed me in the game here. The foul shots I took were the only foul shots I made all year. I'll always remember that game. I was so

pumped up afterwards I could not get to sleep until four in the morning."

Chambers also singled out his most memorable moment as "beating GW in the Christmas Classic." Wayne Womack differed from his teammates. "Against Blue-stone, we beat them good and I scored 10 points. That is what I remember the most."

There are many little things that made the basketball

season special, from getting cake and Kool-Aid from the cheerleaders to having new warmups to wearing Blue and White "basketball shirts" around the school.

But as in all sports, there is no substitute for winning. Benjie Adams summed it up best. "I had the most fun when we were winning." The Comets didn't win as many games as in the past, but they had fun while they were trying their best.





Basket bound. Charles Cheek goes up for a basket as Todd Trickey and James Hill and a host of opponents wait for a possible rebound.

Defensive wall. Comet players Todd Trickey, Bill Chambers, Tim Connor and Jerry Dillard form a defensive wall against Albemarle.



Varsity squad. (Kneeling) Thomas Thaxton, Michael Bowman, Brian Holeman, Bill Chambers, Jerry Dillard, Gary Lovelace, Wayne Womack, and manager Ivan Younger. **(standing)** assistant coach Elvin Dyer, Dwayne McCargo, Charles Cheek, Benjie Adams, Tim Conner, Tom McLaughlin, Orlando Irby, Todd Trickey and head coach John Crittenden.

Rebound man. Bill Chambers snares a rebound amid a crowd of Person County Rockets as James Hill backs up the action.

What every little girl dreams about

Being a varsity cheerleader is something many little girls dream of. This dream came true for 12 girls here. And along with that dream came hard work.

Contrary to what most people think, cheerleading is not always fun. Many long hours are spent practicing, selling raffle tickets, working on Booster Club events, not to mention cheering at games and pep rallies.

The varsity experienced new and exciting things that added to the fun of cheering. The

Virginia Tech cheerleaders came to Halifax for a workshop. The squad benefited from this, learning new skits, cheers, dance routines and stunts. The squad also learned how to work together which proved to be an asset. In August, the squad attended camp at Longwood College and learned new cheers, stunts, skits and techniques there also.

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Big mouth. Varsity member Kelly Bradshaw tries to put some pep into the fans at a basketball game.



Ol' timer. Former Comet basketball star Tommy Elliott signs up with the cheerleaders before attending the last home game played in this gym.



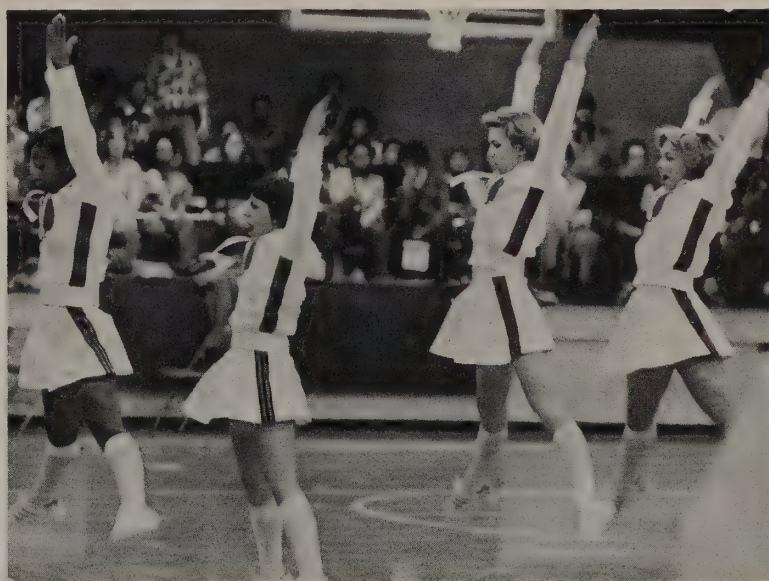
Pigskin pep. Comet fever infects Karen Hughes, Brenda Burkholder, Mary Beth Evans, Amy Riddle and Wanda McCargo at a football rally.

Funny flowers. The varsity squad watches as Kelly Nichols, Karen Hughes and Annette Saunders pin carnations on Coach John Crittenden and Coach and former player Elvin Dyer.





Goof offs. Annette Saunders and Kelly Nichols jazz up the hospitality room where they honored former players and coaches at the last game.



Jumping Jills. Vernell Penick, Jane Brandon, Ginger Burnette and Kelly Bradshaw exhibit a stylized leap during a pep rally.

Co-captain Kathy. During a JV football game, Kathy Switzer shows the enthusiasm required for a Comet co-captain.

Girls 'love' cheerleading

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On being a cheerleader, junior Ginger Burnette said, "I loved being a cheerleader. It was a rewarding and fun experience."

Mary Beth Evans, who is finishing up five years of cheerleading, stated, "It was great! I had much fun. I'll always remember cheering for the Comets. I loved it even when my hair drooped in the rain and I was so tired during the fourth quarter I could hardly stand up."

Senior Kelly Nichols said, "Cheering was a great experience and one I'll always remember. I'll never forget the fun we had at camp and on away trips. Homecoming was really fun this year because it was thrilling to see one of our squad, Brenda Burkholder, as Homecoming Queen."

Disco cheer. Annette Saunders and Kelly Nichols lead the varsity squad in a choreographed cheer.



Surprise! Two cheerleaders pin a carnation on Mr. Jim Barczak, JV basketball coach, on the night the school honored coaches and former players.





Pep party. Mr. Michael Angelo jitterbugs with co-captain Annette Saunders while Vice-principal Larry Clark boogies behind him at the "Going Bananas" pep rally.



Sentimental senior. Mary Beth Evans sadly watches her last basketball game as a Comet cheerleader.

Empty space. JV cheerleader Susan Plaster attempts to fill a white banner with an imaginative design before the game that night.

Throwin' hard. "Crazy" Zack Weddle throws one of his hard fast balls at a game at home.

Great catch. Third baseman Dale Harris makes a diving catch to save a run in the 2-1 win with GW.



'It was a season of ups and downs'



Experience doesn't pay off for team

Headlining the spring sports season was the varsity baseball team. The Comets began the campaign with one of the most experienced teams the school has ever produced. With the loss of only three starters from last year's team, everything looked great for the Comets but it didn't turn out that way.

The season had its ups and downs for the Blues and the first game didn't change the facts. Todd Trickey and Zack Weddle were the Comets' two top men on the mound in 1979. These top two men shared the starting responsibility, and together they had a 9-7 win-lose record for two juniors. The other starters did a great job backing up their pitchers. Behind the plate was Nathan Wiles, on first was either Todd Trickey or Ben Granger, on second was Kenny Long, at shortstop was Mike Fulcher, at third was Dale Harris, and in the outfield from the left to right was Zack Weddle or Bert Saunders, Tim Bomar and Jackie Trent.

The season's downs were

more than the ups. The Comets lost five games by just one run, but they also won five games by one run. The Comets couldn't seem to hit when they needed to and as a result left game winning runs stranded on the bases. This isn't to say that the Comets didn't have the big bats for Mike Fulcher, Nathan Wiles, Tim Bomar, Todd Trickey, Ben Granger, Dale Harris and Jackie Trent all contributed to the hitting with homeruns; but it seemed that they were almost always single homers.

The season did end with a winning note even though the team didn't win the Western District title. Five of the boys did make the All-Western District team: Todd Trickey and Tim Bomar, first team; Nathan Wiles, second team and Zack Weddle and Kenny Long, honorable mention.

He's out. Comet catcher Nathan Wiles tags a Bluestone Baron out in a home win over Bluestone 5-4. Wiles made All-District honors





Varsity baseball. (Bottom row). Jimmy Reaves, Tim Bomar, Jerry Lennon, Tony Black, Jay Duffie, **(second row)** Dennis Dismuke, Allan Lawter, Todd Dillow, Dean Throckmorton, Nathan Wiles, **(third row)** "Spooky" Day, Bert Saunders, Jackie Trent, Kenny Long, Dale Harris, **(fourth row)** Ben Granger, Mike Fulcher, Jerry Dillard, "Crazy" Zack Weddle, Todd Trickey, **(top row)** Coach "Frosty" Owens, Head Coach Fred Palmore, Managers Jimmy Popek and Tim Saunders

Easy out. Shortstop Mike Fulcher is ready to retrieve an easy grounder in the GW game played at home.



Varsity Baseball Record 11-9

	HCSH	OPP.
Bluestone	11	7
Franklin Co.	1	2
Person Co.	5	3
Bluestone	5	4
E.C. Glass	5	6
Nottoway	8	1
G.W.	2	1
Franklin Co.	5	14
Charlottesville	4	5
Charlottesville	6	7
Heritage	1	6
E.C. Glass	3	4
Nottoway	8	10
Albemarle	4	2
Albemarle	16	7
G.W.	4	3
Person Co.	5	4
Heritage	8	12

Randolph Henry Tourney

Powhatan	6	5
Randolph-Henry	2	0

Close play. Blue Comet first baseman Todd Trickey attempts to tag a Nottoway player out in the 8-10 loss at home.

For the soccer team

'It was a lonely but hopeful season'

The old cliché that Rome wasn't built over night can be applied to the soccer team's winless season. In its first year of existence, the team was unable to post a win and ended up with a 0-10 season.

Coach Jim Barczak commenting about the season said, "It was a lonely one, but a stepping stone to the future. We will do much better."

Only four members of the squad had ever played soccer on an organized level. Since the junior high does not have a soccer team, the academy serves as the only source of experienced players. The team's record was not indicative of the

attitude of the players. The squad worked hard in practice and hustled during the games.

Even though the players lacked experience, they made up for it in drive.

Coach Barczak said, "We played good soccer and worked too hard to go 0-10."

Some key players were David Satterfield, MVP; Kerby Moore, most improved; Tony Perkins; Chip Johnson; Steve Jacobs and David Blanks. The team was very young and lost only four players to graduation. Coach Barczak said, "We are awaiting the upcoming season with confidence and optimism."

Flying collision. Soccer sensation Kirby Moore finds himself making

head to head contact with a E.C. Glass player. The Comets lost 3-0.



Chorus line. It's not a dance routine; it's David Owen, Pat Carey and a Charlottesville player scrapping for the elusive ball during a home game. The Comets lost 3-0.

Soccer 1978 Record 0-10

	HCHS	OPP.
Heritage	1	2
E.C. Glass	1	5
Lynchburg Acad.	0	7
Oxford Orph.	0	5
Heritage	0	2
Charlottesville	1	4
Oxford Orph.	0	4
E.C. Glass	2	6
Lynchburg Acad.	0	7
Charlottesville	2	7



Taking it easy. Pat Carey takes a break during the doldrums of practice. The team practiced three hours daily.



Unusual position. In a Charlottesville match Roberts Blanks finds himself upended by his opponent.





Heading the ball. John Warren of Halifax displays the head pass during a game against Heritage. The Comets lost, 2-0.

Eyes on ball. In soccer as in all sports keeping an eye on the ball is essential. Dirk Martin and Phillip Saunders prepare to steal the ball in a home contest against Charlottesville.



Varsity soccer. (Bottom row) Phillip Saunders, Kevin Owen, Mike Hunter, Tony Perkins, Chip Johnson, Stephen Jenkins, David Satterfield, Mike Lowery, Dirk Martin, **(top row)** John Warren, Sammy Lowery, Kerby Moore, Allan Briley, Chris Ratcliff, Pat Carey, Robert Banks, Mike Peer, Rob Carter, Myron Good and Coach Jim Barczak.

Legs high. The fundamentals of good leg follow through is exhibited by Steve Jenkins (10) in a home contest against Charlottesville.

'Strong in heart'

Hard work and determination were two key factors that led the Jayvee football squad to a successful 4-3-2 season. Coach Angelo stated, "We were relatively small in size and number, but we were strong in heart."

After being annihilated by Person County 38-0 and edged by Heritage 14-12, the Baby Blue bounced back to defeat Albemarle 8-0. The Comets beat GW 14-12 in front of the student body. Ronnie Moore and Bruce Chandler provided the offensive punch while Burt Bell and Lawrence Ferrell took up the defensive slack. The Baby Blue seemed to get better as the year progressed because they defeated Charlotteville 16-8 and Martinsville

12-8 in the last two games. It was the first loss for Martinsville in three years.

Coach Angelo commented, "It was a productive season. The team worked hard and everyone gained some playing experience." James Brown said, "I enjoyed the season but it was odd that we could defeat teams with 60 players, but we couldn't beat a team with 20 players." Lawrence Ferrell commented, "It was hard work, but it paid off. I'm looking forward to varsity next year."

At the fall awards banquet, Ronnie Moore received the MVP Award; Jimmy Popek, most valuable lineman and Lawrence Ferrell was named best back.



Spectacular grab. Lawrence Ferrell leaps high to intercept a pass against GW in the 14-12 win.



Fingertip away. End Terry Coles barely misses a pass from Ronnie Moore in the 0-0 tie against Glass.

Handing off. As the line opens holes in the GW line, QB Ronnie Moore (10) hands off to Tommy Spencer (25).





High and low. Two Jayvee defensive players stop a GW back in the 14-12 victory in front of the Comet student body.

Soaring high. Backs Ronnie Moore (10) and Lawrence Ferrell tip a ball intended for a Glass receiver.



JV Football 1978
Record: 4-3-2

	HCHS	OPP.
Person County	0	38
Heritage	12	14
Albemarle	8	0
E.C. Glass	0	0
GW	14	12
GW	6	6
Heritage	8	24
Charlottesville	16	8
Martinsville	12	8

JV Squad. (Front row) Dwayne Edwards, Quentin West, Thomas Majors, James Popek, Bryant Suggs, Mike Hutcherson, Terry Coles; **(second row)** Andre Bates, Leroy Childress, Waverly Pointer, Rosco Coles, Mike Nichols, Eddie Clark; **(third row)** Freddie Robertson, Avery Sydnor, Steve Daniel, manager, Stanley Mitchell, Timmy Saunders, Ronnie Moore; **(back row)** head coach Mike Angelo, Darwin Terry, Tommy Reed, Keith Chambers and assistant coach Don Reebals.

'A fine season' Team effort wins JV district crown

Capturing a district crown and having a seven game win streak were the highlights of the happy JV season. The Baby Comets coached by Jim Barczak provided the crowds with much excitement with half of their games being decided by five points or less. The team finished the season with an impressive 13-5 record, good enough to beat out GW for the district title.

The Baby Cagers, after losing the first two games, went on a streak, winning the next seven games before being up-ended by Charlottesville.

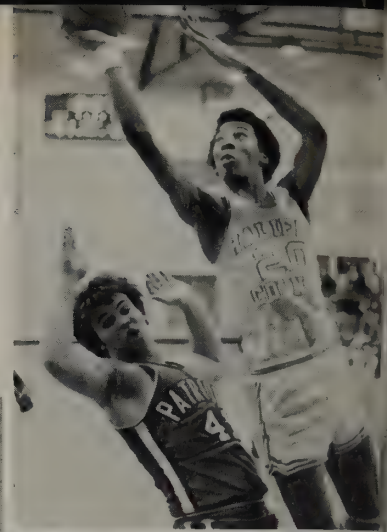
Still feeling low from the Charlottesville game, the Baby Blues traveled to Danville and were defeated 45-38. The team then regained its composure to win six out of the last seven games including a five point

win over GW which proved to be the difference in winning the district.

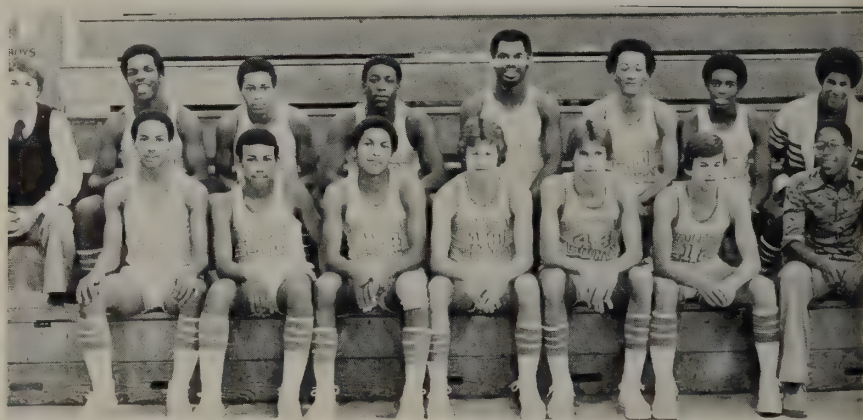
Commenting on the successful season, Coach Barczak said, "Our aspirations of winning the district championship were achieved through hard work and discipline."

Leading scorer Lawrence Ferrell said, "We knew we had the potential to win the district and everything just fell in place." Barczak also added that the district championship was a team effort with the players contributing immensely, from the starting five to all the reserves. Some of the key players were Lawrence Ferrell, Alan Lawter, Charlie Walton and Alonzo Brandon. Tommy Spencer summed up the season best when he said, "It was a fine season."

Eyes set. Beating his man, Charlie Walton goes up and makes a basket against an Albemarle Patriot in the Blues 50-45 home win.



Bounce pass. Guard Allen Lawter, executes a pass against Albemarle in the 50-45 loss.

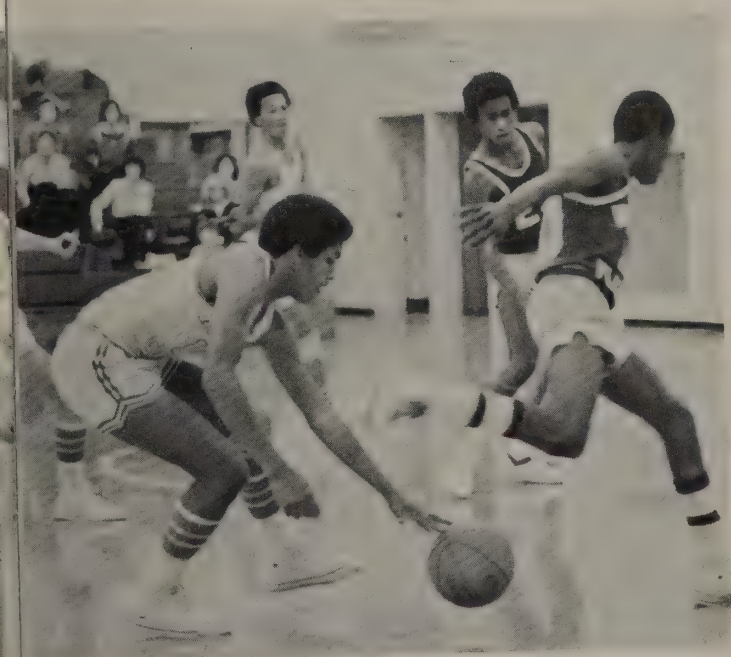


JV basketball. (Front row). James Fitzgerald, Keith White, Alonzo Brandon, Tommy Spencer, Ben Granger, Allen Lawter, Manager Kevin Jones, **(second row)** Coach Jim Barczak, Roderick McCargo,

Lawrence Ferrell, Tommy Crews, Chris Cheeks, Charlie Walton, Andre Bates, Manager Derrick Bailey. The winning of the district title over GW was the highlight of the season for the squad.

It's ours. Ben Granger and James Fitzgerald eventually slap the ball away from a Glass player in the thrilling 33-31 victory.

Man to man. The Baby Blue used the man to man defense effectively against the Rockets.



Slowing down. Alonzo Brandon gains control of the ball to wait for his teammates to set up the offense.



Perfect form. Leading scorer Lawrence Ferrell demonstrates the proper way to shoot a jumpshot.

JV Basketball 1979
Record: 13-5

	HCHS	OPP.
Bluestone	57	60
Person Co.	34	52
Salem	47	44
Wm. Fleming	44	36
Salem	39	34
Bluestone	44	37
Fleming	52	41
EC Glass	33	31
Albemarle	50	45
Charlottesville	43	47
GW	25	38
Glass	46	30
Heritage	38	35
Albemarle	55	28
Roxboro	58	72
Charlottesville	50	37
GW	38	33
Heritage	39	32

The girls prove a point

Loose ball. Comet trio, Nancy Sydnor, Amanda Farmer and Susan Inge, go after the ball in the home game against Person County.

"This way!" giving final instructions, Coach Cheryl Ferguson sets up a play during a JV timeout.



Varsity Girls' Basketball 1979

Record: 4-12

	HCSH	OPP
Person County	30	38
Northern Durham	38	58
Person County	30	43
Northern Durham	42	48
Holy Cross	42	60
GW	44	50
E.C. Glass	25	47
Albemarle	30	46
Charlottesville	47	41
GW	26	25
E.C. Glass	30	34
Heritage	55	67
Albemarle	48	49
Charlottesville	49	47
GW	45	43
Heritage	27	57

Going up. Against a host of Person County defenders, Amanda Farmer shoots for a basket. She made it.



The overall record of four wins and 12 losses does not aptly describe the varsity girls' basketball season.

In district play the girls had close and exciting games. The district record was 4-6, which is good for a team that only had four members return.

As with most events, there were good times and then there were bad times for head coach Miss Frances Mitchell. The girls played excellently as a team unit and Amanda Far-

Surprise. Rita Medley, JV guard, steals the ball from her opponent and races for her goal.

mer and Jonice Medley won honorable mention on the All-Western District team.

Unfortunately, Susan Inge, last year's leading scorer, was hampered most of the season with a knee injury.

The varsity girls participated in a Christmas tourney for the first time since the team originated. The girls and the coaches alike were pleased to perform in front of crowds as large as those that attend most boys' games.

Because some nights the schedule called for a varsity

boys' game and a varsity girls game played at home on the same night, the girls had their chance to prove to all that they could play the same kind of exciting basketball that the boys could.

The junior varsity girls, coached by Miss Cheryle Ferguson, compiled a 3-7 overall and a 3-5 district record. The team was led by Norma Crews who had a 9.5 game point average. Renea Rogers was second with a 4.9 average and Katrina Richardson was third with 4.8.

JV Girls' Basketball 1979 Record: 3-7

	HCSH	OPP
Henderson Vance	19	36
Henderson Vance	22	25
E.C. Glass	24	21
Albemarle	33	30
Charlottesville	21	24
E.C. Glass	24	51
Heritage	31	29
Albemarle	20	26
Charlottesville	21	28
Heritage	26	40



Varsity basketball. (Bottom row) Karen Wilkins, Donna Coleman, Pearila Chappell, Lisa Kipps, Jancie Allen, Barbara Martin, **(top row)** Patricia Hubbard, Nancy Sydnor, Stephanie Carey, Beth Inge, Janice Medley, Amanda Farmer, Susan Inge and Coach Frances Mitchell.

JV basketball. (Bottom row) Norma Crews, Katrina Richardson, Wanda Dismuke, Jackie Faulkner, Shelia Chappell, Mary Hamlett, Margaret Moorefield, **(top row)**

Donna Watkins, Renea Rogers, Tonnya Cooper, Kim Clark, Annette Johnson, Debbie Tune and Miss Cheryle Ferguson.

In volleyball, softball

Four win district honors

Girls sports are beginning to gain respect. Two of these constantly improving teams are volleyball and softball.

Despite having to work with a team comprised entirely of rookies except for three returning players who were never starters last year, volleyball coach Anne Cochran was pleased with the team's 3-9 season. "But I wish we had had more matches," Coach Cochran added.

As a team, Coach Cochran said that the group was better

offensively than her teams in other years. The team had good spikes and sets, but serves were their downfall.

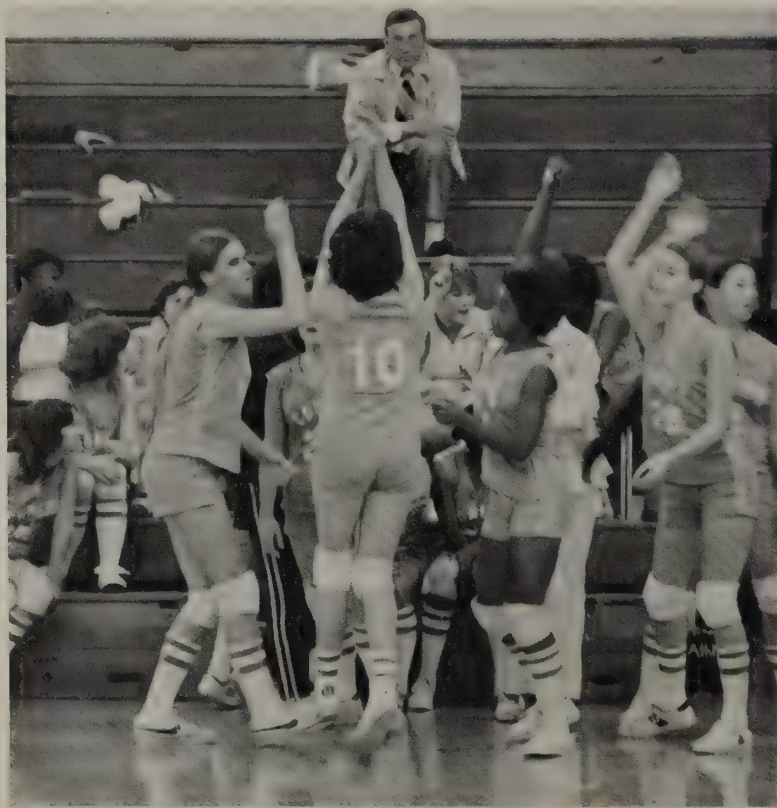
The returning players were Angela Dance, Francis Harris and Denise Stanfield. Dance became a starter and Harris was voted the most improved player. Another honored player was Susan Inge who made first team All-Western District.

The girls' softball team ended its season with an encouraging 5-3 conference record to secure a second

place finish in the Western District.

Coach Cheryl Ferguson was a bit disappointed that her team didn't finish first. "The team got off on a bad start but we had a tremendous chance to win the championship this year."

Some of the outstanding players were Judy Ray, Nancy Sydnor and Wanda Dismuke who were chosen for the first team All-Western District. Norma Crews was the team's most valuable player.



Timeout yell. The volleyball team whoops it up as they get ready to return to the court and action.

Safe. Patricia Hubbard slides and scores against Heritage in a home game the Comets won, 8-7.





Slide home. Beating the throw to home plate, Sharon Martin avoids the tag from the Heritage catcher.



Softball team. (Bottom row) Judy Ray, Ruth Mitchell, Wanda Dismuke, Vernell Penick, Cherrie Bostick, Dawn Yates, Norma Crews, Wanda Loftis (top row) Miss Cheryl Ferguson, Nancy Sydnor, Patricia Hubbard, Kimberly Throckmorton, Stephanie Hubbard, Terry Fallen, Charlotte Fisher, Sharon Martin, Vida Logan, Kimberly Allen and Georgia Hankins.



Volleyball 1978

Record: 3-9

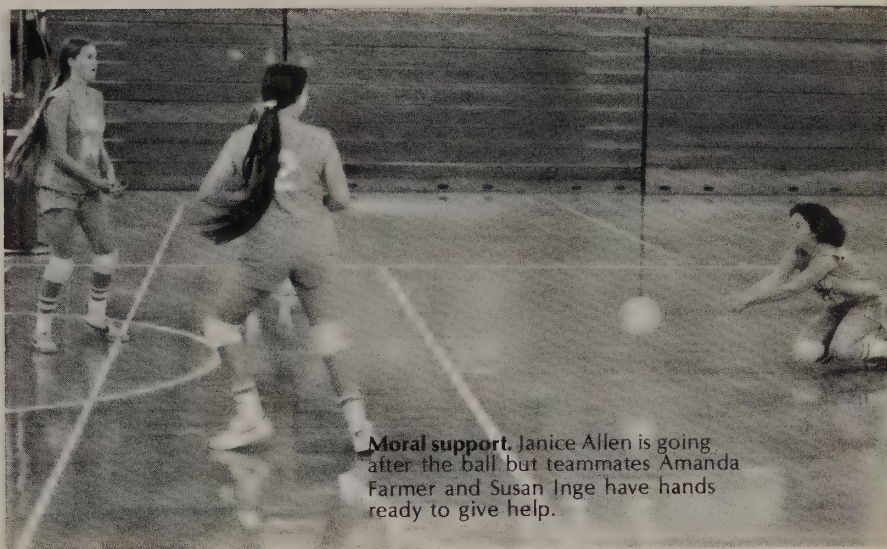
	HCHS	OPP
Person County	0	3
Person County	0	3
E.C. Glass	0	3
Albemarle	1	3
Heritage	2	3
GW	3	0
Charlottesville	3	0
Albemarle	1	3
E.C. Glass	0	3
Heritage	0	3
GW	0	3
Charlottesville	3	1

Softball 1979

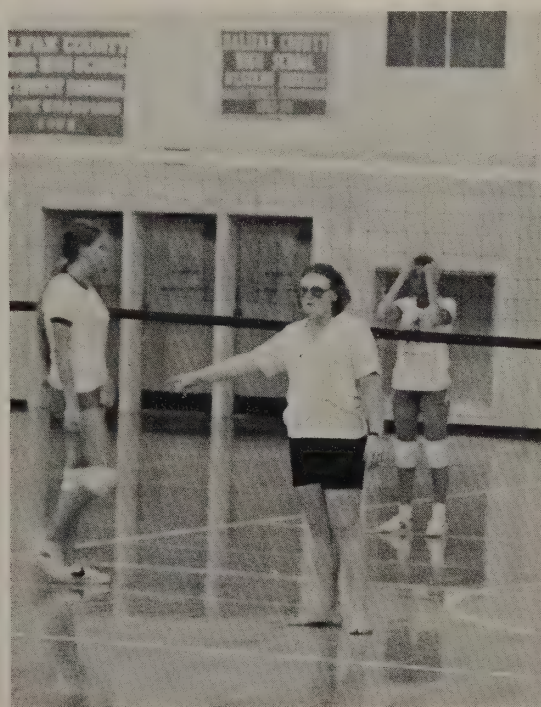
Record: 5-9

	HCHS	OPP
Vance	6	7
Bluestone	4	9
Bluestone	8	10
Person County	2	3
E.C. Glass	19	2
Vance	4	10
Heritage	8	7
E.C. Glass	14	5
Charlottesville	3	6
Albemarle	3	13
Albemarle	3	1
Person County	8	20
Heritage	7	2
Charlottesville	10	11

Cochran coaches. In an afternoon practice, Coach Ann Cochran tells her team how to position themselves.



Moral support. Janice Allen is going after the ball but teammates Amanda Farmer and Susan Inge have hands ready to give help.



Wrestlers produce

Three district champions

Although there were disappointing moments for the grapplers, the season was an overall success. Through work, dedication and fine coaching, the wrestling team prepared itself mentally and physically for the long road to the district tournament.

Along the way, the young matmen piled up a winning record; furthermore, a couple of the losses were heartbreakers which could have gone their way. The team's constant drilling, conditioning and sheer determination culminated in a respectable showing at the district

tourney. With a relatively young team, Halifax placed third in competition and produced a new school record of three district champs. The first place finishers were Chancie Crowder at 126 pounds, Horace Owen at 132 pounds and Charlie Hightower in the heavyweight division.

The team's inexperience caught up with them in the regional tournament where the competition was tough. The team qualified only one wrestler for the state tourney. Co-captain Charlie Hightower turned in a fine performance by placing third in the region

and sixth in the state. His sixth place finish made him only the second wrestler in the school's history to win a medal at the state level.

The end-of-the-season tournament, however, was not to joyful. The team's captain Chancie Crowder, was wrestling well and had a 17-0 record going into the semi-finals of the regional event. During the match, Chancie suffered a partially dislocated clavicle which brought a disappointing ending to his high school wrestling career.



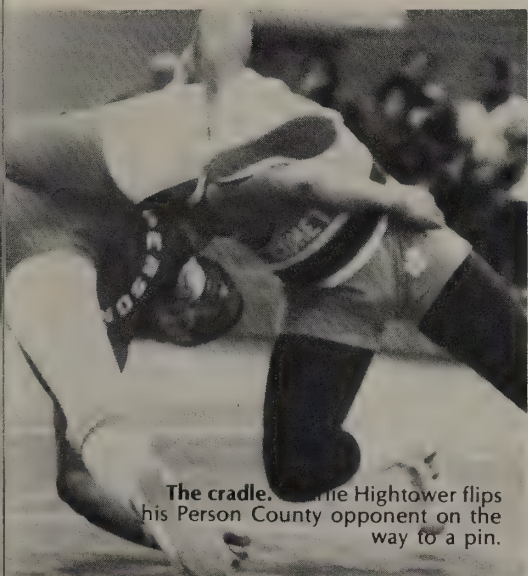
Harris scores. Using a single leg take down, Harris Saunders gets the best of his GW opponent.



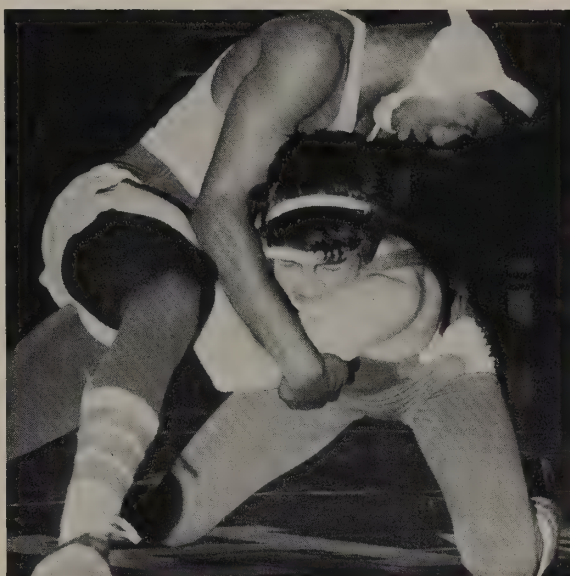
Undefeated. Chancie Crowder snarls at his GW opponent as he counters a roll enroute to his eleventh straight victory.



A pin. A double bar arm is what Johnny Wilson uses to defeat the Glass wrestler at a Comet home match.



The cradle. Charlie Hightower flips his Person County opponent on the way to a pin.



Glass foe. Countering with a cross face, Horace Owen wrestles his opponent to his knees. Horace won his match.



Good try. Against GW, Gordon Daniels tries for a takedown using a double leg hold.



Wrestling team. (Bottom row) Chance Crowder, Harris Saunders, Tracy Spraggins, Johnny Wilson, Gordon Daniels, Johnny Williams, Michael Perry, Horace Owen, **(second row)** Dwight Lovelace, Eric

Brandon, Wilbert Whitlock, Kenneth Dixon, Ronnie Goods **(top row)** Charlie Hightower, Ricky Short, John Pointer, Jake Royal, Hamid Mazuji, Walter Allen and Coach Randolph Perry.

'Unknown' squads shatter reputations

Golf and gymnastics, two of the lesser known individual Comet sports, gained much recognition this time around. The golf team won the Western District title and made a good showing at the Northwest Regionals. The gymnastics team did not win a match, but the squad earned respect and interest.

The golf team failed to make the state tournament by only one stroke. "This was a frustrating end to an excellent season," Coach Wayne Lloyd said. "We were the only Comet team to win a district title this year," he added.

The team was led by the consistent efforts of Ronnie Moore, Stanley Black and Joey Piechota. A berth in the regionals and a 5-1 district record highlighted the year.

The gymnastics team went through its year winless probably because of the lack of experience on the squad which was dominated by sophomores. Sylvia McLaughlin led the team as she placed fourth in the District All-Around category.

"We didn't win but we did learn something from each of our competitions," Mrs. Martha Avery, the coach, said.



Upside down. Missy Slate does a headstand on the balance beam. This is one of the three required poses for the beam.



Airborne. Running to gain momentum Elizabeth Thomasson prepares to go into the final trick of her floor routine.

Number one. Playing the top position for most matches Ronnie Moore makes his putt against Person County.

Golf 1979
Record: 8-2

	HCSH	OPP
Person County	325	329
Chapel Hill	325	343
Brookville	359	351
GW	311	312
Albemarle	311	319
E.C. Glass	317	321
Person County	317	343
GW	321	314
Charlottesville	308	312
Heritage	322	337
District	1st place	
Regionals	3rd place	

Gymnastics 1979
Record: 0-7

	HCSH	OPP
Brookville	46.75	62.25
Martinsville	56.85	68.85
Jefferson Forest	32.00	46.55
Sanderson	47.90	70.10
Franklin County	46.75	66.55
E.C. Glass	121.55	186.40
Albemarle	106.95	148.30

Winning form. Sylvia McLaughlin poses on the balance beam during a match. Sylvia won honors at the district tournament.





Practice run. Elizabeth Thomasson goes into a front support position on the uneven parallel bars during practice.



Award winners. Coach Wayne Lloyd honored his top men at the spring sports banquet. They are Glenn Garrett, Stanley Black, Tom Spencer and Ronnie Moore. Each received a gold golfer.



Gymnastics team. (Front row) Judy Glass, Kim Blackstock, Kim Evans, Missy Slate, Kelly Murdock. (Back row) Coach Martha Avery, Angela Dance, Elizabeth Thomasson, Linda DeCarmen and Sylvia McLaughlin.



District champs. The Comet golfers display their trophy. Team members Ronnie Moore, Mike Gregory, Stanley Black, Glenn Garrett, Tom Spencer and Joey Piechota pose with Coach Wayne Lloyd.

In track

Top performers highlight season

The boys track season ended like the 1978 season, both with a 2-5 record and with only one person going to the state. Although the team record was not outstanding, the individual performances were well worth mentioning.

Milton Carden, the only man to go to state and the most outstanding hurdler, compiled a winning season as he won all his important meets running the hurdles.

Charlie Hightower, school strongman, was the only person to set new school records.

Charlie broke the discus record by 14 feet with a throw of 15 feet, 9 inches. He also broke the shotput record by 15 inches with a heave of 51 feet, 6 inches.

Coolidge Hamlett, the never say die runner, was consistently in the top three every race. His season ended dimly after he ran for a week on a fractured leg.

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Top runner. Steve Bandy went undefeated in the half mile and was the team's highest scorer.



Out numbered. Surrounded by Albemarle runners, Comet Mary Stevens lines up for the mile run. She didn't win but she didn't give up.

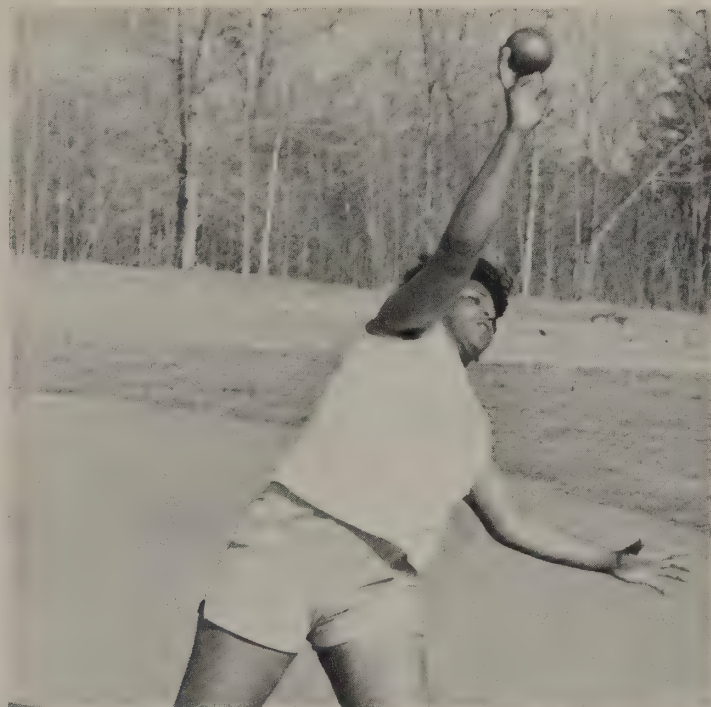
State bound. The only Comet to go to the state tournament, Milton Carden sails over the hurdles on his way to victory in the GW meet.





Team work. After receiving the baton from Herbert Ferrell, Elmer Banks races the third leg in the mile relay against Person County.

Big heave. Annie Stovall stretches to get the best distance possible on the shotput in the home meet against GW.



Boys Track 1979
Record: 2-5

	HCHS	OPP
Bluestone	95	43
Person County	59	68
Charlottesville	69½	65½
Albemarle	33	94
E.C. Glass	54	82
Heritage	58½	77½
GW	54	82

Track team. (Bottom row) Michael Robinson, Ben Hogue, Sonny Tucker, Terry Coles, Charles Poteat, Will Adams, Nathaniel Evans, Ricky Trent, Alex Tucker, Milton Carden, Allen Yates, McDonald Ferrell, **(second row)** Perry Darden, Tom McLaughlin, Steve Bandy, Michael Easley, Steve Daniels, Ledon Bradley, Gary Waller, Coolidge Hamlett,

(third row) Calvin Barksdale, Edgar Farmer, Jonathan Richardson, Herbert Ferrell, Elmer Banks, Larry Bates, Mike Norton, Ed Ballou, Thomas Cheatham **(top row)** Coach Michael Angelo, Ed Davenport, Chancie Crowder, Marvin Burch, Charlie Hightower, Freddie Robertson, Jesse Wimbish, Tino Jones, Coach William Sparks.

Performers highlight track season

continued

Steve Bandy, the most outstanding runner, and highest point scorer, for the second straight year, went undefeated in the half mile and lost only once in the mile run. He had a chance at records in both events but was hampered all season by bad knees and tendonitis in his foot.

Overall the season was not spectacular in itself, but the school has always turned out fine individual performers.

Unfortunately, the girls won only one meet, at home against GW, but Angela Dance did advance to the state meet and competed in the hurdles.



Record breaker. With this throw, Charlie Hightower sets a new school record for the shot put.

Wind up. At a home meet, Mark James prepares to throw the discus as Coach Michael Angelo and some teammates encourage him.





Hurdles. Angela Dance exhibits the form that put her into the state competition in low hurdles.

Happy runners. Steve Bandy, MVP, and Coolidge Hamlett, most improved and outstanding runner, also won these awards last year.



Girls track. (Bottom row) Virginia Hightower, Angela Dance, Pattie Skerl, Mary Stevens, Lisa Farmer, Mary Hamlett, Barbara Woody, **(second row)** Angela Burns, Annette Ingram, Valarie Bates, Holly Barden, Sylvia McLaughlin, Vanessa

Stovall, **(third row)** Coach Frances Mitchell, Susan Inge, Louise Crowder, Anne Stovall, Janice Edmunds, Margaret Vaughan, Betty Tucker, Cheryl Bostick, Coach Martha Avery.

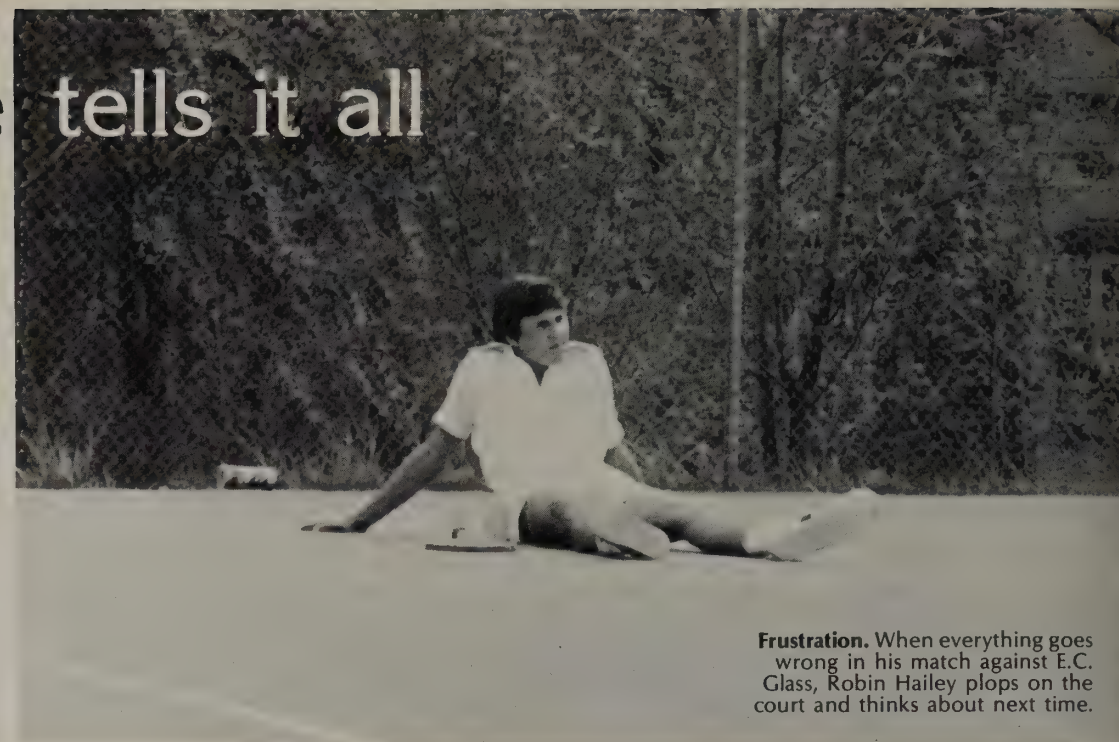
A picture tells it all

A picture is worth a thousand words, and Robin Hailey (right) gives a clear view of the tennis season. The boys and girls battled to losing seasons, 2-12 and 1-11, respectively.

The boys started off their season with their first win in three years, beating Person County 6-3. They followed this with a tough 5-4 loss to Franklin County. Later in the season they again topped Person County, 9-0. Bright spots for the Comets were senior Ricky Franklin and juniors Lucien Roberts and Mike Hudson, all of whom did well in district play.

Led by these three players, the Comets careened through their tough schedule, just losing to the Western District powers. Coach Pedro Zamora said, "We did a good job considering our lack of facilities. We were a young team. Very young ... very young."

The girls team was ham-



Frustration. When everything goes wrong in his match against E.C. Glass, Robin Hailey plops on the court and thinks about next time.

pered because all of the 12 members had only one tennis court to play and practice on. Nancy Smith said, "This was a very rough deal. We had to play all our games away." Led by Donna Crews, Sharon Martin and Dawn Yates, the girls played well in the season highlighted by a win over

Heritage, 5-4. Coach Marks conditioned the girls through many intense drills, torturous practices and daily, vigorous workouts.

Lost due to graduation will be starters Ricky Franklin and Robin Hailey by the boys, and Nancy Smith and Judy Glass by the girls.



Backhand return. Jeff Farrar bends low to return the ball in a home match against Person County. The Comets won, 6-3.

Ricky rifles. Number one man Ricky Franklin hits a forehand winner against Heritage at home in the year's last match.



Boys Tennis 1979 Record: 2-12

	HCSH	OPP
Person County	6	3
Franklin County	4	5
E.C. Glass	0	9
GW	0	9
Franklin County	4	5
Person County	6	3
Charlottesville	2	7
Albemarle	0	9
Heritage	2	7
E.C. Glass	0	9
Charlottesville	3	6
Albemarle	2	7
GW	0	9
Heritage	3	6

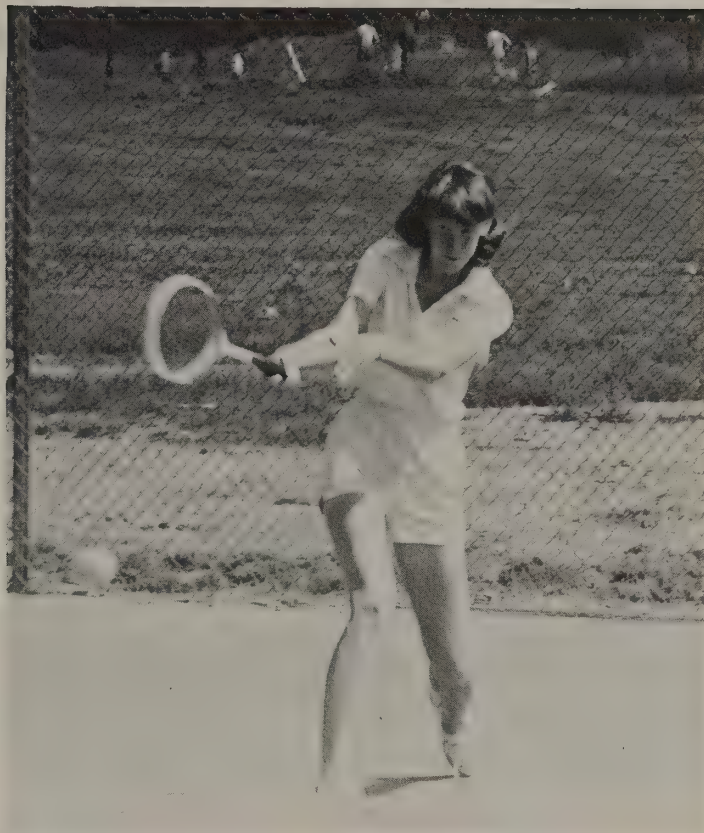
Girls Tennis 1978 Record: 1-11

	HCSH	OPP
Person County	3	6
Person County	3	6
Albemarle	1	8
Heritage	2	7
Charlottesville	0	9
Albemarle	0	9
E.C. Glass	0	9
Heritage	5	4
GW	0	9
GW	2	7
Charlottesville	2	7



Roberts rallies. Lucien Roberts attacks the net in his victory against Charlottesville at home. The team lost, though.

Practice shot. On the one available court, Nancy Smith practices. The courts were resurfaced during the girls season, causing all their matches to be played away.



Girls' tennis. (Kneeling) Judy Glass, Debra Cole, Kim Roark, Susan Vaughan, Dawn Yates, Kim Evans
(standing) Donna Nelson, Sharon

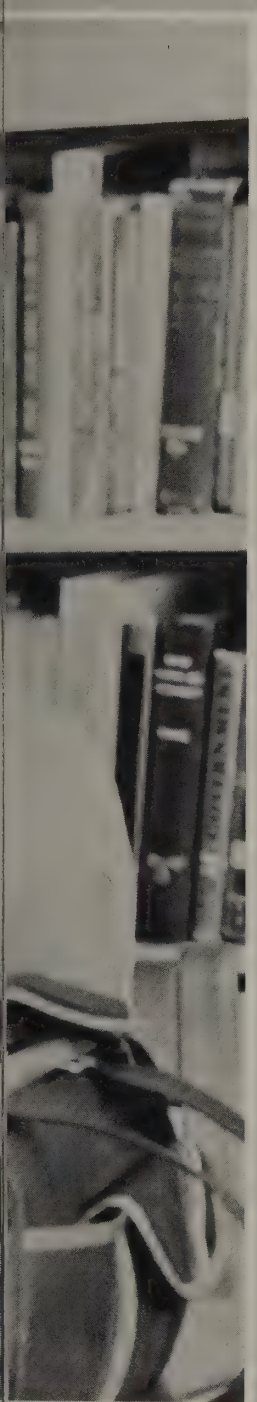
Martin, Pam Garber, Margaret Vaughan, Tammy Allen, Rhonda Loftis and Nancy Smith.

Boys' tennis. (Kneeling) Greg Weaver, Robin Hailey, Paul Edmunds, Mike Hudson, Ricky Hailey, Ricky Franklin **(standing)**

Richard Dunavant, Dennis Oxford, Vince Newton, Jeff Farrar, Mike Peer and Coach Pedro Zamora

Study break. The library is a fine place to read the paper, study and be with friends. Beverly Carrington and Michelle Chandler agree.





People

School years may seem the same, but they aren't. People make the difference. The 1875 people of this year were certainly different from the 1910 of last year. The sophomores were new and the others were one year older. That makes enough of a difference for Marvin Burch to become a "wild and crazy guy," for Penny Canada to take lessons in talking and for Mr. Lawson to become brave enough to try the latest: a perm. Everyone had a distinct personality, helping to make the year different. So, you see, it was more than a goodbye year.

Everyone
helped
to make it
different

'We'll
finally
be
there.'

Reprinted from the 1973 "Haliscopes": "With the target date for opening set for September of 1976, the Halifax County School Board unveiled the drawing for the new Halifax County-South Boston Senior High School.

"The estimated cost for the structure, which will be the most efficient, economical and prettiest school in the Southeast, is \$8,650,000," Superintendent Udy C. Wood said.

Reprinted from the 1974 "Haliscopes": "When the bids on the new High School are opened then we will decide what to do next based on the cost involved," Superintendent Udy C. Wood said.

Reprinted from the 1975

"Haliscopes": "It was the end of a dream. And it came on a 6-1 vote. The County Board of Supervisors voted in March not to fund the construction of the \$11.5 million new high school."

Reprinted from the 1977 "Haliscopes": "After the \$5 million dollar grant from the Economic Development Administration, the School Board and the local governing bodies worked out all details to the satisfaction of most people concerned; and in April work began on the site adjacent to the present high school."

Superintendent Udy C. Wood for the 1979 "Haliscopes": "Well, we're finally going to get there."



Mr. Udy C. Wood
School Superintendent

Board of Control. (Seated) Mr. J.D. Sugg, chairman; Dr. George Chappell; (standing) Mr. Garland Childrey; Mr. George Smith and Mr. W.W. Wilkins





Building check. Mr. Udy Wood confers with architects in the hall of the new high school to see that everything is going well.

Mr. Dale Yeatts
Assistant Superintendent



Mr. Frank Chaffin
Assistant Superintendent



Mr. Julian Harrison
Director of Transportation



Special memo. Dictating directions to the faculty is one job of Mr. Larry Clark, vice-principal in charge of curriculum.



Banquet time. One pleasant duty of vice-principals is attending school banquets. Mr. Harry Wilson and his wife enjoy themselves at the DECA banquet.

For the principals the year was 'fun, busy and excellent'

"It was an excellent year," exclaimed Dr. L. M. Venable, principal. "It was also one of the busiest in recent years. Besides following the regular routine of the '78-79 year, we had to work on the structure of our first year in the new school and moving. We had to do a double job."

Dr. Venable also said the year was not much different from past years in that no two days were ever alike.

Mr. Carl Furches, vice-principal in charge of discipline, thought that it was a "fun year." One of the highlights for him was being here at the first of September as he was unable to start on time last year.

"Discipline was better this year," said Mr. Furches. "We used disciplinary action more extensively this year, and it worked well." Mr. Furches sees no danger of his job becoming obsolete. He said, "As long as there are this many kids in a school, there will be discipline problems. Kids won't get that good."

"Quite progressive" was Mr. Harry Wilson's view of the year. The vice-principal in charge of buses believes that many of the administration's goals were accomplished.

"Academically this year was very gratifying," said Mr. Wilson. "We were glad to see the results of the competency tests and the fact that our schools placed in the categories of the supposedly better schools in our area."

Mr. Wilson said that behavior on the buses was much better than in past years. He said, "Students are learning

to get along better with each other, and I'm hopeful that the trend will continue to curve upward."

Mr. Ron Ramsey, vice-principal in charge of athletics, said that the year was busier for him. "Adding soccer involved making up a new schedule," he said, "but it was a gratifying year. We got new tennis courts and had the football field turfing." An active Booster Club has contributed both time and money to the athletic program.

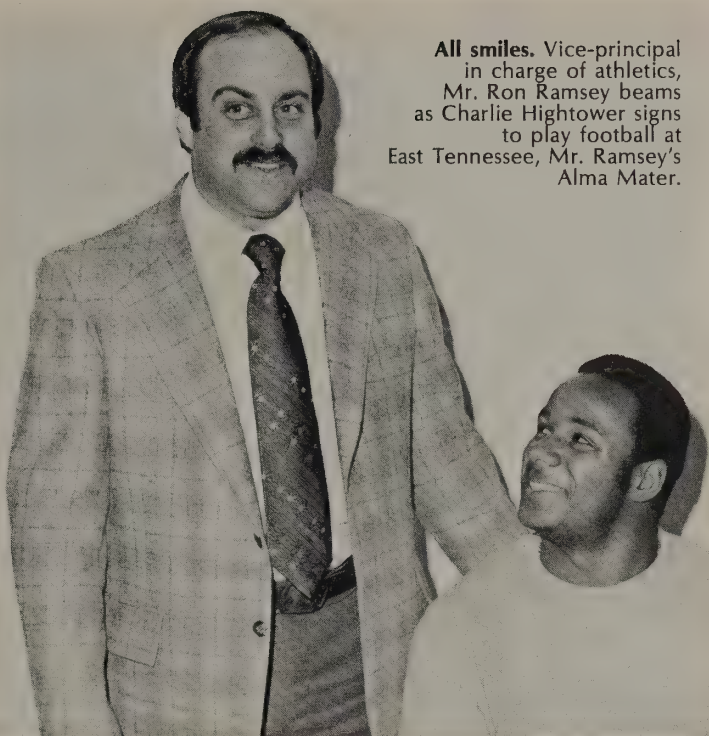
"Of course there were disappointments with some sports teams," he said. "They all have ups and downs. Our coaching staff remained stable the last couple of years which is a good feeling. There was a lot of communication between the coaches and me. We were able to exchange ideas and solve problems."

"Every year gets busier because we're required to do more paperwork and supervision," commented Mr. Larry Clark, vice-principal in charge of curriculum.

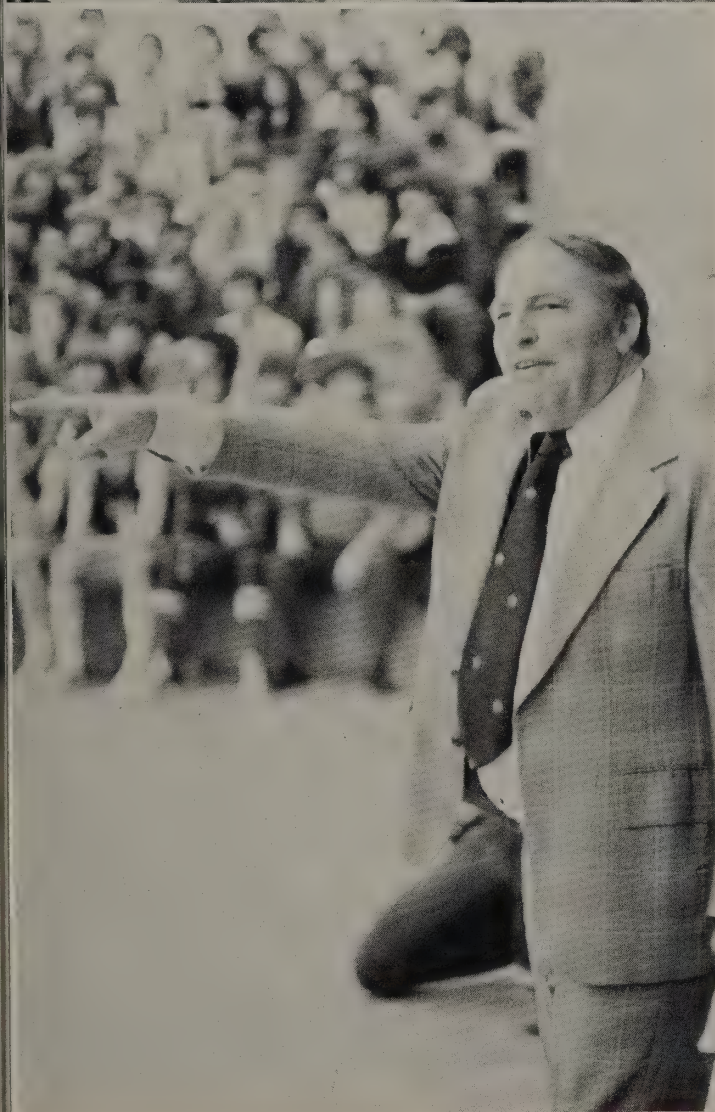
It was also a frustrating year. "We had to work on the budget for the new school plus early student registration and schedule planning," said Mr. Clark.

"The present school year was a year of anticipation. I look forward to having a better program which I hope will provide students with a better education," Mr. Clark said.

"Finally, it was a rewarding year," said Mr. Clark, "because I enjoy my job. I am always pleased to know another group of students, but I'm always sad to see the seniors leave us."



All smiles. Vice-principal in charge of athletics, Mr. Ron Ramsey beams as Charlie Hightower signs to play football at East Tennessee, Mr. Ramsey's Alma Mater.



Let me explain. Mr. Carl Furches tries to get to the bottom of a discipline problem. Mr. Furches often uses logic and reason to solve problems.

Double duty. Sometimes a principal becomes a coach. In a pre-season basketball intrasquad game before the student body, Dr. Venable coached one squad. In the top photo all is going well, but in the bottom photo he rises to question an official just as all coaches do.

Talk, talk, talk

Teachers will talk on almost any subject from snow dance to library books to cars to discover my Santa Claus in the barn

Teachers are willing to talk about almost any topic, school related or not. This is how some of them were quoted during the year. **Miss Vickie Riley:** "I started running but I decided not to push it. It was several months before I could run a lap. I run very slowly." **Mr. Wilton Ragland:** "Trying to get students involved in the SCA has been a major problem." **Miss Mary Brooks:** "Although our contestants on Classroom Kwiz were unsuccessful in their challenge, they represented the school well." **Mrs. Thelma**

Cfowder: "Students are returning books to the library much slower this year." **Mr. Bill Moore:** "The VICA Club has started the year at a very active pace. We hope to continue at this rate." **Mr. Leon Palmer:** "If I have to keep on making repairs on my Thunderbird, I'm going to have to trade it in." **Coach John Crittenden:** "I believe college is good for some students, but it's not for everyone." **Mrs. Kathy Overstreet:** "Let's all do a snow dance." **Mr. Richard Fitz:** "The yearbook will come out

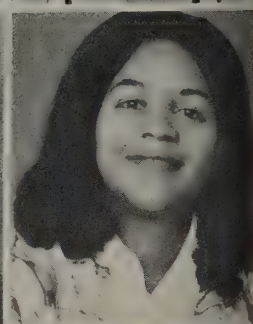
on time." **Mr. Charlie Cage:** "My most memorable Christmas was when I was seven and found out that Santa Claus was really my mother. She hid my presents in the barn, which were a cap pistol and caps. I shot all the caps before Christmas." **Mr. Terry Holt:** "The Board of Supervisors should restore the entire cut they made in the school budget." **Mrs. Rae Lantor:** "We try to help students by telling them where to find jobs, where to look and how to dress for the interview."



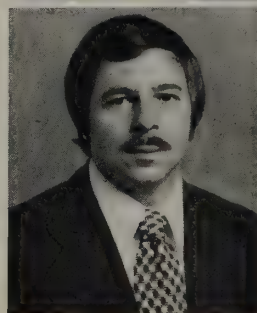
Miss Donna Adams: Home Ec. III, Family Living
Mrs. Freeda Akers: Business Department Chairman, Shorthand I, II
Mr. James Albright: ICT 11, 12, VICA Adviser
Mrs. Wanda Albright: Practical English 11, Developmental English 11



Mr. George Anderson: Agriculture Department Chairman, Ag III, V. FFA Adviser
Mr. Michael Angelo: U.S. History 11, JV Football Coach, Track Coach
Mrs. Martha Avery: P.E. 11-12, Gymnastics, Girls' Track Coach
Mrs. Corlys Ballou: Developmental English 10, Practical English 10

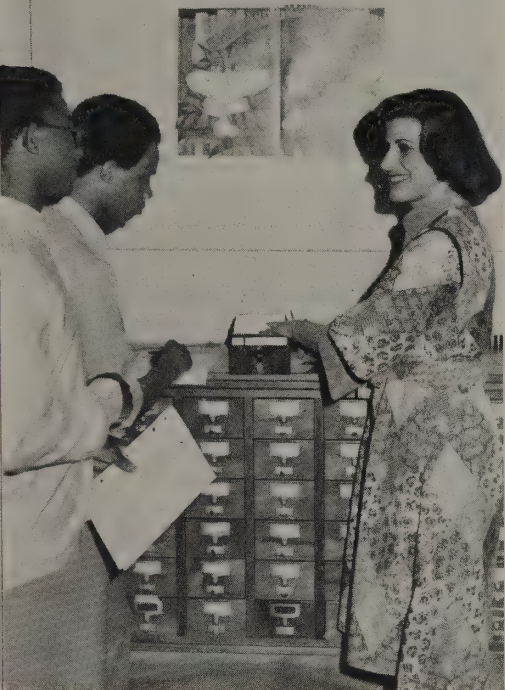


Mr. James Barczak: P.E. 10, Soccer, JV Basketball Coach
Mrs. Rita Best: Special Education
Mr. Andrew Bohannon: A-V Director
Mr. Archie Bohannon: DE I, II, DECA Adviser



Helping hands. Mrs. Frances Hellmuth helps George Barksdale and Ray Scott use the card catalogue during National Library Week.

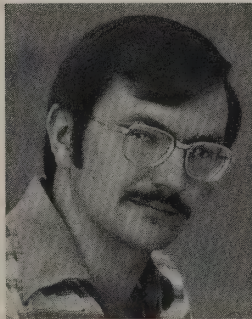
NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK APRIL 1-7



Mrs. Elizabeth Brade: Typing I, General Business
Mrs. Elodia Brade: Guidance Counselor



Miss Mary Brooks: Algebra I, Refresher Math, National Honor Society Adviser
Mr. Larry Brown: Developmental Math 10, Refresher Math 12



Mr. James Burton: Drafting I, II
Mr. Frank Burwell: Art I



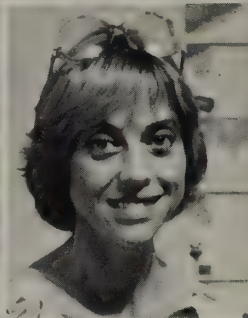
Everybody here? Mr. Michael Angelo calls the roll to make sure that no U.S. history students are missing.

Popular substitute. For 50 years Mr. Horace Peeling has been an educator in the capacity of teacher, administrator and, after retirement, as a substitute teacher.

Mrs. Bessie Cage: Practical English 10
Developmental English 10
Mr. Charlie Cage: Developmental
English 10
Mr. Ben Clardy: Government 12, U.S.
History 11, Junior Class Adviser
Mrs. Ellen Clardy: Algebra I, General
Math 10



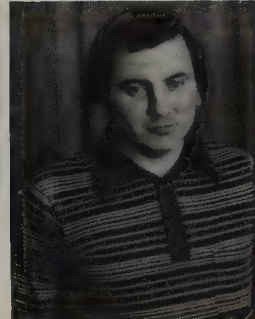
Mrs. Anne Cochran: P.E. 10, 11-12
Volleyball Coach
Mrs. Ashby Cothran: Mixed Chorus
Camerata
Mrs. Helen Coleman: General Business,
Typing I
Mrs. Ann Conner: English Department
Chairman, AP English 12, CP English 12



Mrs. Nancy Conner: Business Math 11,
PSC Geometry
Mr. John Crittenden: P.E. 11-12,
Varsity Basketball Coach, Assistant
Football Coach
Mrs. Thelma Crowder: Librarian, Hi-Y,
Tri-Hi-Y Adviser
Mrs. Willie Daniel: General Business,
Clerical Office Practice



Mrs. Tammy Daniels: U.S. History 11
Mr. Patrick Davis: Government 12
Mr. Elvin Dyer: P.E. 10, Assistant
Basketball Coach
Miss Diane Eberly: Science for Life,
General Biology



Mrs. Sonya Falls: Developmental
English 11, Practical English 11



Miss Cheryl Ferguson: Art II, Girls'
JV Basketball, Softball Coach



First day. Miss Adell Stokes
fills out another receipt as Denise
Thomason patiently waits.

At school

Handicapped is theme of conference

Counseling the handicapped was the theme of the spring workshop at VPI attended by guidance counselor Mr. Earl McDaniel.

This conference basically focused on how to help the handicapped people to help themselves and how to deal with them in a scholastic atmosphere.

Mr. McDaniel said that the biggest thing he learned from this workshop was that you have to deal with and treat handicapped people just like everyone else. You shouldn't "baby them or pity them; they will never adjust or learn to be independent that way." In order to relate this point, he recalled a lady at the conference who had a slightly deformed hand. He said, "People just might not know how to react to someone like that. They might be unsure of how to greet her. You'd just go up and introduce yourself or shake her hand, just like you would with anyone else. The biggest problems for most handicapped people, after they have accepted themselves, is getting 'normal' people to accept them," he said.

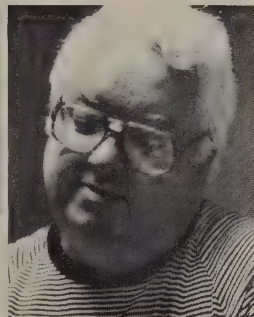
As is now required by law, the new high school will be completely adapted for handicapped students.

Mr. McDaniel believes that it would also be beneficial to educate the students on how to deal with their handicapped peers. "Overcoming personal fears and misconceptions that often result in unintentional jokes and cruelties is the first step," he added.

Job counseling. Mr. Earl McDaniel counsels Virginia Newton on summer job opportunities.



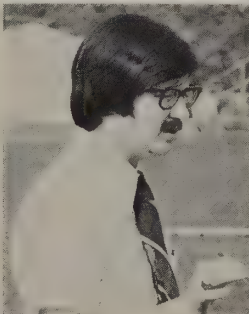
Mrs. Ruth Fisher: Study Hall Supervisor
Mr. Richard Fitz: Journalism I, II, Yearbook, Newspaper Adviser



Mrs. Mary Fletcher: Recordkeeping, General Business
Miss Margie Ford: CP English 12, Practical English 12



Mr. Michael Foxworth: Intermediate Band, Advanced Band
Mr. Woodson Glasscock: Industrial Arts Shop



Why?

Teachers enjoy work with youth

"Why do teachers teach?" This question is a thought-provoker that is seldom asked for many people who have entered the teaching profession, have not really considered why they selected the career of teaching.

Often teachers stop to reflect a moment on their decision to become a teacher. After several moments of deliberation, most teachers seem to agree that their decision to teach involved a need to work with youth, and also a need to continue their own education.

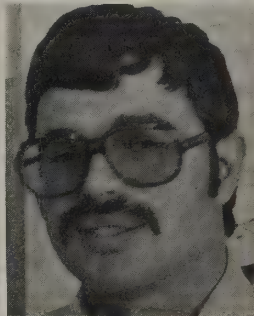
Coach Frosty Owens, an eleventh grade U.S. history teacher, comments, "Because I enjoy it. I believe one of the most important things students need to learn is to have confidence in themselves."

Mrs. Carolyn Wagner, who is a college prep English teacher, knew she wanted to teach when she was only in the fifth grade. "My mother had to spank me for writing all over the walls of my bedroom because I was pretending the walls were my bulletin boards," the junior English teacher said.

Mr. Jim Albright, an ICT-VICA coordinator, explained, "I always wanted to be a professional student; teaching is as close as I can get."

Mrs. Wanda Albright, also an eleventh grade English teacher, said, "I like to think of myself as a tool through which students may learn. I enjoy observing the sense of accomplishment and the increased personal value students get when they learn."

Government enthusiast. Mr. Patrick Davis spends a summer school class leading a discussion on ways to amend the constitution.

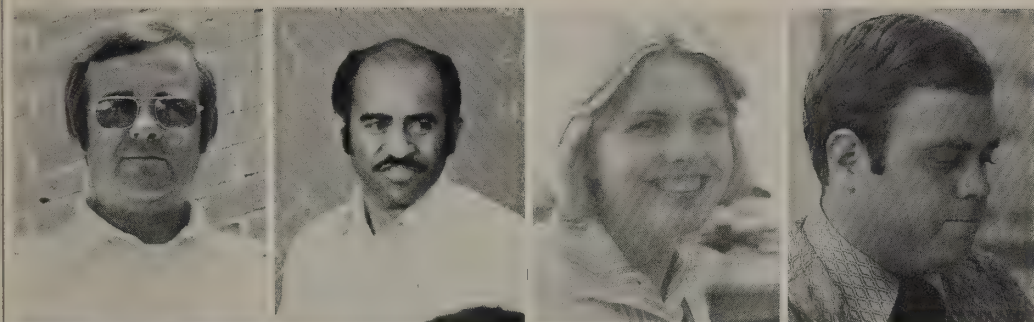


Mrs. Barbara Greene: Study Hall Supervisor
Miss Mildred Henderson: Algebra II, Business Math 11
Mr. John Johnston: Math Department Chairman, Trig, Algebra III, I, Analysis

Mrs. Glennis Greenwood: Home Ec. Department Chairman, Food Management
Mrs. Eunice Holt: World Geography, Majorette Adviser
Mrs. Raynell Lantor: Guidance Department Chairman, Counselor

Mrs. Barbara Haugh: Sociology, Economics, Government 12
Mr. Terry Holt: U.S. History 11, Majorette Adviser
Mr. David Lawson: U.S. History 11

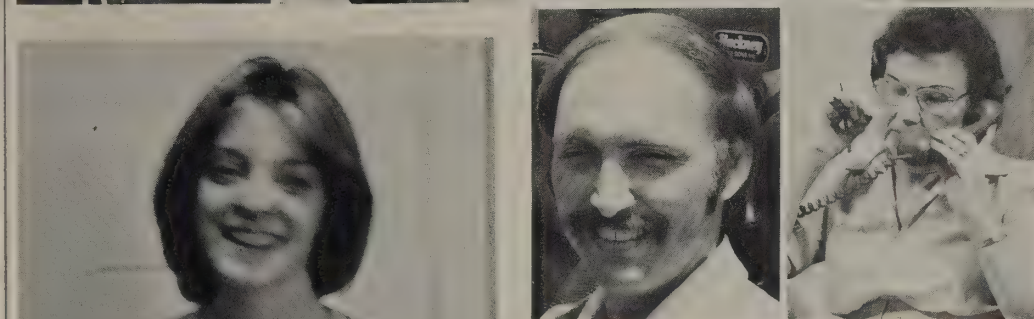
Mrs. Frances Hellmuth: Librarian
Mrs. Janet Johnson: Study Hall Supervisor
Mr. Dane Lewis: Drafting I, II



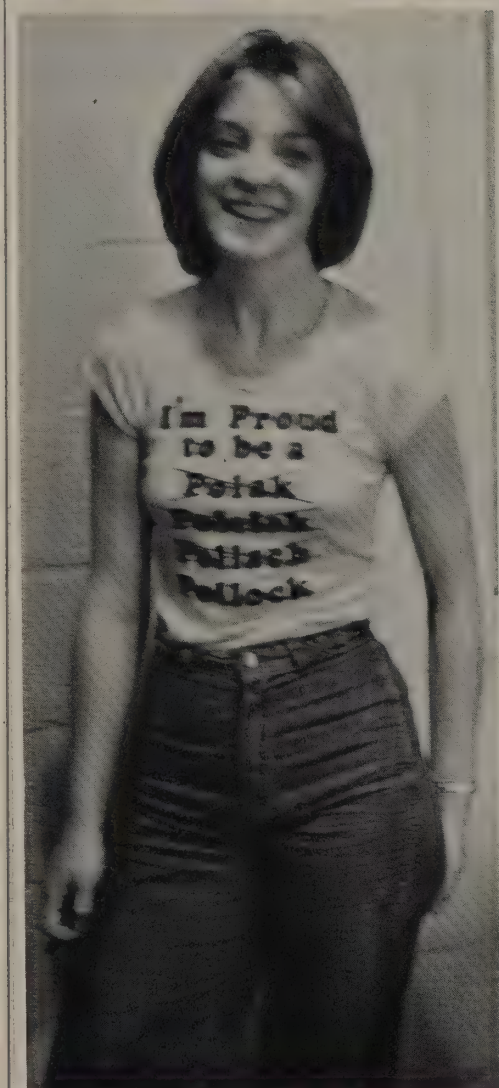
Mr. Wayne Lloyd: Drivers' Ed, Golf Coach
Mr. Lealand Luck: Agriculture I, II
Mrs. Deborah McDaniel: Reading Improvement
Mr. Earl McDaniel: Guidance Counselor



Miss Cynthia Marks: P.E. 10, Girls' Tennis Coach
Mrs. Laurretta Martin: Guidance Counselor
Mrs. Linder Martin: Practical English 10, Developmental English 11
Miss Frances Matchell: Physical Ed. Department Chairman, P.E. 10, Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach



Mr. William Moore: ICT 11, 12, 12B VICA Adviser
Mrs. Rose Murray: Guidance Counselor



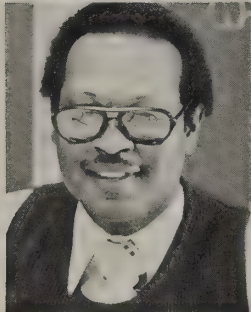
Proud Pollock. Mrs. Jill Pollock displays her T-shirt, hoping it will encourage the correct spelling of her name.

Listen here. Varsity basketball coach John Crittenden advises his players during a time out as assistants Jim Barczak and Elvin Dyer listen in.





Mrs. Catherine Overstreet: CP Biology, General Biology
Miss Judy Owen: Latin I, II, III Latin Club Adviser
Mr. Robert Owens: U.S. History 11, Assistant Football, Baseball Coach
Mr. George Paige: Industrial Arts Department Chairman, Woodworking, World of Construction



Mr. Leon Palmer: Typing II
Mr. Wayne Palmer: Agriculture IV, II, Farm Equipment Operation
Mr. Fred Palmore: Drivers' Ed, Baseball Coach, Assistant Football Coach
Mr. Randolph Perry: Special Education Department Chairman, Math 10, Job Training Skills, Wrestling Coach



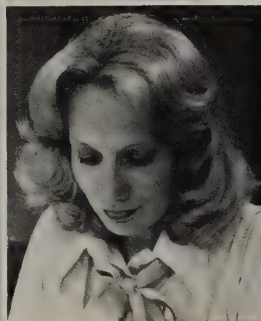
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Mrs. Gayle Pollard: Typing I
Mrs. Jill Pollock: Algebra II, Developmental Math 10
Mr. Tyrone Powell: Drivers' Ed



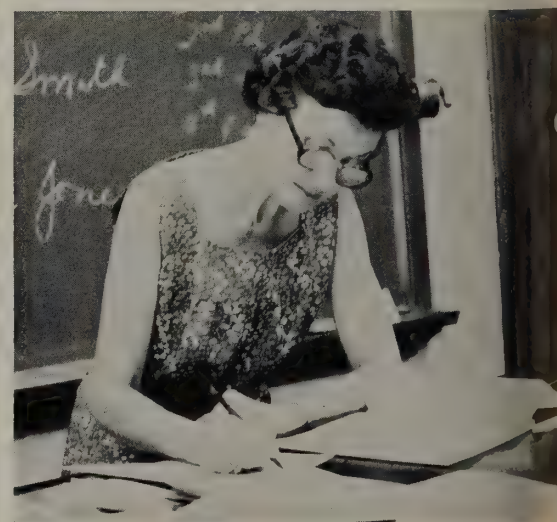
Miss Shiann Price: CP English 10, National Honor Society Adviser
Mr. Wilton Ragland: SCA Adviser
Mrs. Rebecca Ramsey: Practical English 11, Drama, Play Director, Forensics Coach
Mr. Donnie Reebals: P.E. 10, 11-12, Assistant JV Football Coach, Track Assistant Coach



Mr. Sam Riddle: DE I, II, III
Miss Victoria Riley: Guidance Counselor



Mrs. Judy Sams: Family Living
Mrs. Candy Shelton: Special Education Cheerleading Adviser



One more time. Miss Mildred Henderson fills out first day forms for the twenty-sixth time. She was on the original faculty.

End of an era

Three from original faculty see integration in 1970 as biggest change in school

Many things have changed in twenty-six years. Coming and going of students, policies passing and changing, faculty coming and transferring are all part of the steady flow. However, there are three faces that have been here since the first bell rang out in September of 1953. The three members of the original faculty are Mr. Richard Fitz, Miss Mildred Henderson, and Mrs. Glennis Greenwood.

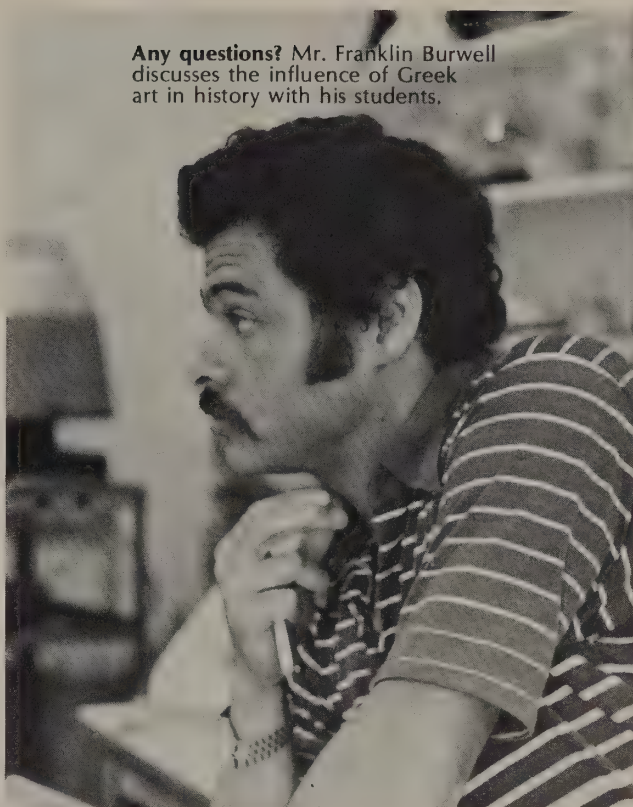
On being asked why they stayed so long, they all answered, "My home is here!" Mr. Fitz, head of the Journalism Department added, "The publications here are nationally known, and I am just delighted that I could have a part." Why they continue teaching is another reason completely. Miss Henderson, Algebra II teacher, commented, "One advantage of staying in one school system is that you get to know the students, parents and home-life of those you teach."

The three members of the faculty agree that the biggest change the school has seen was in 1970, the year of integration. Mr. Fitz commented, "The integration worked so well; it was in the middle of the year, too." Miss Henderson added, "Other schools had riots and troubles, but here it was so smooth."

All three look forward to being in the new school. "But frankly, I hope we won't be as crowded," laughed Mrs. Greenwood. Miss Henderson added, "I hope students will show more pride in their school building." Mr. Fitz com-

mented, "When I think back over the years, there is a feeling of nostalgia. We may be crowded here, but there's a sense of comfort. This building is in a very remarkable state, considering that it was not built to accommodate the number of students here. The junior high will inherit one of the loveliest landscapes I have ever seen." Then Mr. Fitz summarized all three of the teachers' feelings when he said, "It is the end of an era."

Any questions? Mr. Franklin Burwell discusses the influence of Greek art in history with his students.



Original faculty. Mr. Richard Fitz, Miss Mildred Henderson and Mrs. Glennis Greenwood have been here since the first bell rang out in September, 1953. They agree that the 1970 integration was the biggest change in the school's twenty-six year history.

Chairmen

need patience to bear extra responsibility

It takes patience and dedication to be a department chairman. Fourteen teachers bear the title that means much extra work, longer hours, and more responsibility.

You can find department chairman handling duties that range from decorating the display case to conducting department meetings with the junior high.

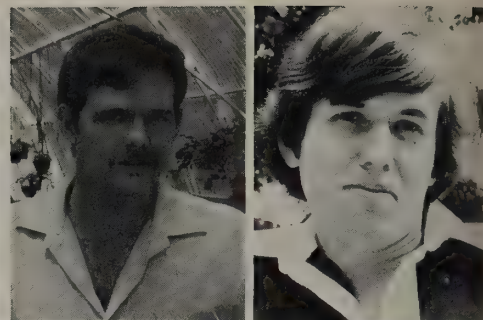
One time consuming job of the department chairman is the observing of fellow teachers. Miss Julia Tuck, the social studies chairman, said, "Each chairman is required to observe the teachers in the department for knowledge of subject, rapport with students, clarity of assignments and classroom management." Afterwards a written evaluation for each teacher is given to Mr. Clark. Chairmen often meet with Mr. Clark to discuss objectives. Mrs. Ann Connor, the English Department chairman, commented that a department chairman serves as "a liason between administrators and teachers."

This year chairmen spent much of their time in textbook meetings. Although responsibility for the selection of books belongs to the entire department, most of the work falls to the chairman.

Another job of department chairmen is the selection of reference materials and audio-visual aids.

Mr. John Johnston, the math chairman, commented, "It's so hard to say exactly all a department chairman does because we do so much."

Mr. William Simmons: Horticulture III
Mr. William Sparks: Government 12, Cross Country, Assistant Track Coach, Junior Class Adviser



Mrs. Dorathye Spence: Practical English 12, "Galaxy" Adviser
Miss Adell Stokes: Developmental English 11, Practical English 10.



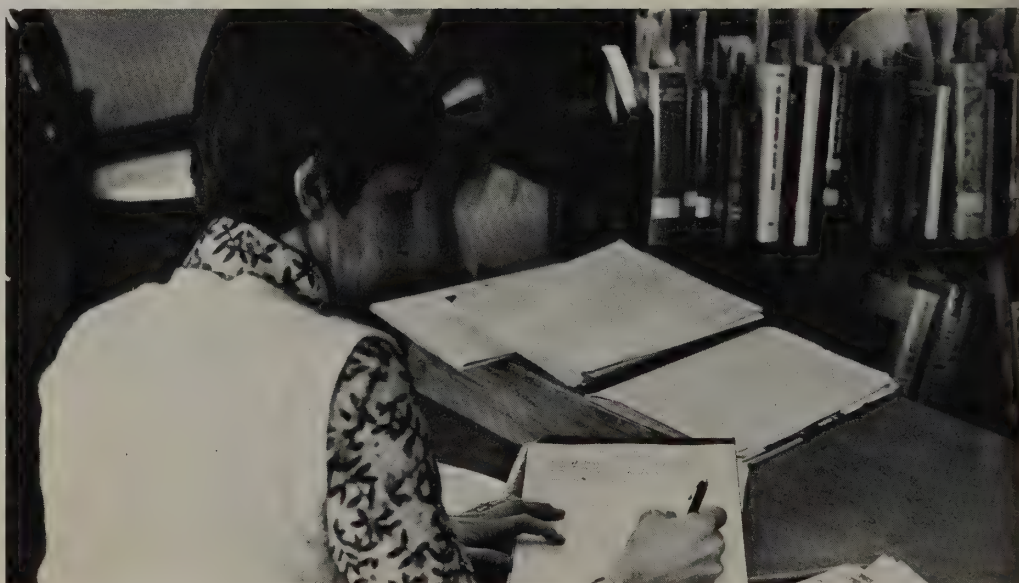
Miss Julia Tuck: Social Studies Department Chairman, World History, Government 12.
Mr. John Tucker: Stage Band, Advanced Band.



Miss Pauline Vrbanic: French I, II, Spanish II.
Miss Carolyn Wagner: CP English 11.



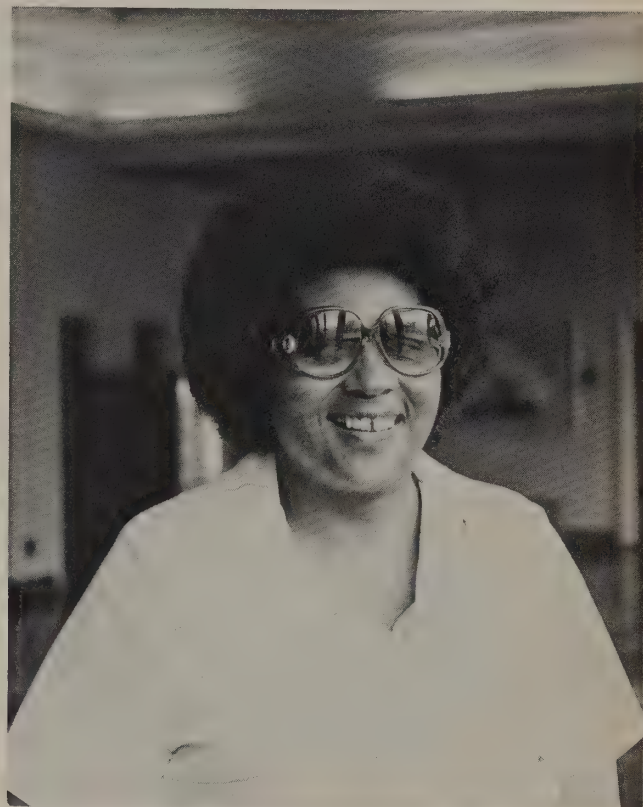
Careful planning. Mrs. Ann Conner spends her planning period in the library making out the next day's lesson plans.





War talk. Mrs. Eunice Holt lectures students on the events leading up to the Civil War.

Hall duty. Miss Frances Mitchell, girls' Physical Ed. Department chairman, keeps a watchful eye on the main hall.



Miss Evella Watkins: Science Department Chairman, General Biology, Science for Life.

Mrs. Mary White: Bookkeeping, Recordkeeping.

Mrs. Ann Whitehurst: Home Ec. II, Clothing Management.

Mrs. Virginia Whitlock: Developmental English 12, Practical English 12, "Galaxy" Adviser.

Mrs. Norma Whitted: Typing I, Shorthand I.

Mrs. Cynthia Wilkerson: General Biology, Science for Life.

Mrs. Edna Wilkerson: Librarian.

Mrs. Kathryn Wilson: Developmental Math 10, Plane Geometry.

Mrs. Mildred Yancy: Clothing Occupations I, II.

Miss Maria Zamora: Art Department Chairman, Art III, IV.

Mr. Pedro Zamora: Foreign Language Department Chairman, Spanish I, III, IV, Boys' Tennis Coach.

Mr. Lee Zook: Physics, Consumer Chemistry, Chemistry, Computer Club.

Service staffs helpful

On assembly days students swamp secretaries with checkout requests

Secretarial, custodial and cafeteria staffs help keep the school running smoothly.

Secretaries did typing and dictation for the principals when they were not writing various types of admission slips for students.

"And don't forget the checkout slips," Mrs. Gayle Walker said. "Whenever there was an afternoon assembly, we were swamped with students who wanted to check out."

The custodial staff was made up of two cooperative parts. Reporting to their work at 8 a.m., the day staff mowed grass, trimmed shrubbery and swept the halls after each class change. The night staff readied the building for the next day.

Mrs. Nora Clark and the cafeteria staff prepared nutritious meals. Despite their complaints, students lined the cafeteria and lobby waiting for their lunch, especially on the days spaghetti or hamburgers were served.

Outdoor job. Mowing grass on the football field is just one of Mr. Luther Edmond's duties.



Custodians. Mrs. Beatrice Jones, Mrs. Jannie Williams, Mrs. Bazel Edmonds and Mr. Paul Bruce.



Money lady. Mrs. Jean Francisco is the bookkeeper. All money collected is turned in to her.

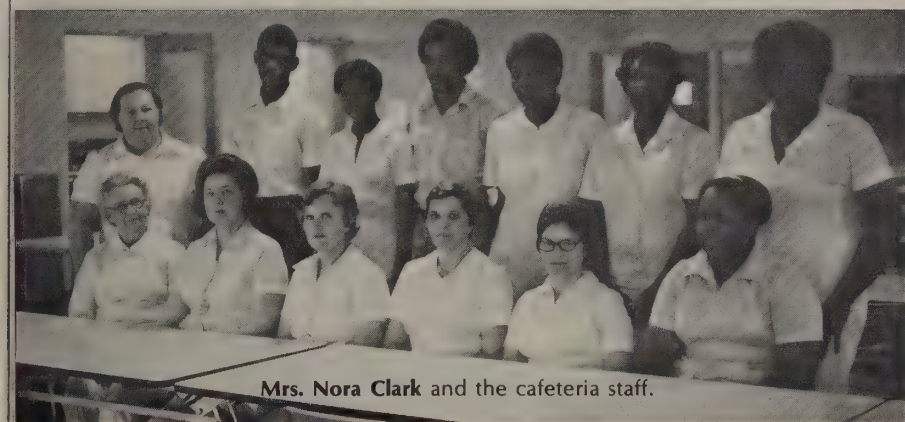


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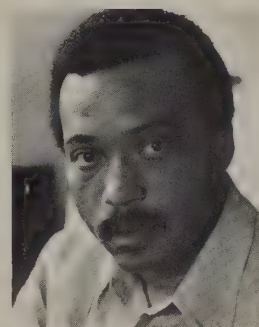
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 Garland.



Custodians. Mr. Herman Walton,
 Mr. Marvin Jones, Mrs. Nonnie
 Clark and Mr. Luther Edmonds.



Mrs. Nora Clark and the cafeteria staff.



Mr. Don Wilson
 Administration Aide



Mrs. Jean Hunter
 Library Aide



Secretaries. Miss Bonnie, Mrs. Jean Francisco,
 Mrs. Sarah Ellis, Mrs. Gayle Walker, Miss Mickie
 Dawson, Mrs. Carol Howerton, Mrs. Marilyn Overby,
 Mrs. Virginia Carter and Miss Mary Breeden.

Felicia Abbott
 Laura Abenes
 Cynthia Adkins
 Wade Alderson
 Walter Allen



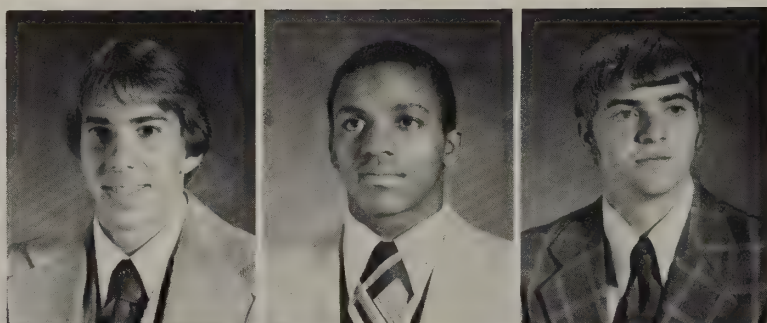
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Steve Anderson
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 Doreen Bailey
 Regina Ballou



Steve Bandy
 Elmer Banks
 Robert Banks



Barbara Barbour
 Holly Barden
 Dale Barksdale



David Barksdale
 Debra Barksdale
 Michael Barksdale



Felicia Cassandra Abbott: Camerata; Latin Club; Drama Club; Homeroom Officer; Tri-M; Forensics; Plays; Merit Semi-Finalist. **Laura Dorothy Abenes:** Star Feature Editor; Star Reporter; Haliscope; Drama Club; Latin Club President; Medical Explorers; Tri-Hi-Y. **Cynthia Lee Adkins:** Spanish Club; Homeroom Officer; Star; Haliscope; SCA. **Edward Wade Alderson:** Homeroom Rep.; National Merit Scholarship Commendation. **Walter John Allen:** Wrestling; VICA. **Albert Jackson Anderson:** SCA; NHS; Spanish Club; Homeroom Pres.; Soccer. **John Logan Anderson:** NHS; Latin Club; Spanish Club. **Katherine Frances Anderson:** SCA; Homeroom Officer; FBLA; Latin Club; Medical Explorers. **Kimberly Anderson:** Art Club; Drama Club. **Timothy Lee Anderson:** FFA. **Doreen Michelle Bailey:** SCA; NHS. **Stephen Lee Bandy:** SCA; Sophomore Treasurer; Senior President; NHS Vice-President; Track; High School All-American (Track); Homeroom Officer; Hi-Y Sgt.-at-Arms. **Elmer Rodger Banks:** JV Basketball; Varsity Football; Varsity Track; Spanish Club. **Holly Juanita Barden:** SCA President; Track Co-Captain; Star; Haliscope; Band; NHS; Latin Club; Secretary Hi-Y Medical Explorers Secretary; Drama Club Vice-Pres.; Forensics; Broadcasters Club; Plays. **Dale Druscilla Barksdale:** NHS. **David Edward Barksdale:** VICA; Art Club. **Debra Jean Barksdale:** Pep Club; NHS. **Robert Edward Barksdale:** FFA. **Daniel Bruce Bates:** Indoor Track. **Sophia Denise Beard:** SCA; Homeroom Rep; Art Club; HERO Secretary. **Robert Howell Bernard:** VICA; Drafting Club Photographer. **Penny Lynn Betterton:** DECA. **Hope Myrtle Beverly:** DECA. **Frederick Stanley Black, Jr.:** SCA Rep; Homeroom Pres.; Tennis; Golf; Latin Club; Medical Explorers. **Melanie Lynne Blankenship:** French Club; FBLA Vice-President. **Edward O. Blount, Jr.:** Haliscope; Star; NHS. **Kelly Page Bomar:** Golf; Band;

Last seniors here

After primary elections in homeroom, poster campaigns in the halls and nervous speeches in the gym, senior class officers were named.

They were Steve Bandy, president; Tyree Greene, vice-president; Hazel Glass, secretary; Cheryl Bostick, treasurer and Robin Hailey, sergeant-at-arms.

One of their traditional jobs, planning a senior trip, didn't get too far because they were unable to organize the event because chaperones couldn't be found.

The officers officiated at Class Day, reading the Class Who's Who, the Class History and the Last Will and Testament. Seniors filled out in homerooms a questionnaire to help the officers with these chores.

"Being elected to lead this class of 456 in the last year of

this school was an honor," all the officers agreed.



Pep Band; French Club; Hi-Y. **Lisa Derrick Bowers:** Galaxy Art Editor; Art Club; Drama Club; Carmerata; NHS; Mixed Chorus; Tri-M. **Michael Anthony Bowman:** JV Basketball; Varsity Basketball; JV Football; Art Club. **Agnes Deloris Bradley:** Basketball.



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Lawrence Bass
Daniel Bates
Sophia Beard
Robert Bernard

Penny Betterton
Hope Beverly
Stan Black
Melanie Blankenship
Eddie Blount

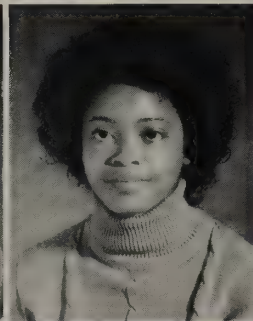
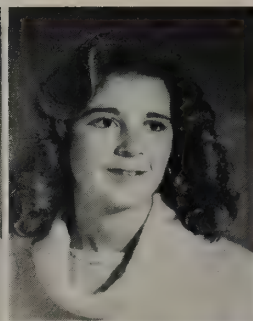
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Vanessa Bomar
Lisa Bowers
Michael Bowman
Agnes Bradley

Lendon Elbert Bradley: Track. **Lisa Dare Bradley:** Spanish Club; Majorette. **Douglas McCullough Brandon:** Varsity Football; Art Club; VICA; AIASA Club Parliamentarian; Bus Driver. **Debra Ann Brooks:** DECA; FBIA; Mixed Chorus. **Dirk Lamar Brown:** Band; Pep Band; Camerata Vice-Pres. NHS; Hi-Y; Tri-Hi-Y; Drama Club; Tri-M Pres.; French Club Sec.; Boys' State; All Regional Chorus; Plays; Forensics. **Sarah Catherine Brown:** SCA Rep.; Homeroom Officer; NHS. **Stacey Elaine Brown:** Camerata; French Club; Galaxy Editor; Drama Club. **Fay Owen Bruce:** JV Basketball; Flag Corp. **Belinda Ann Bumpass:** HERO Vice-Pres.; FHA. **Marvin Burch:** Track. **Brenda Faye Burkholder:** Tennis; JV, Varsity Cheerleading; Art Club; French Club; Homecoming Queen. **Pamela Kaye Burton:** DECA. **William Bryant Burton, Jr.:** FFA. **David Patrick Camden:** DECA. **Milton Carden:** Track Captain; Art Club. **Brenda Denise Cardwell:** Junior Pres. Stephanie Marie Carey: SCA Rep; Basketball; Volleyball; Tennis; Star Reporter; NHS Treasurer; Spanish Club. **James Bailey Carr, Jr.:** DECA. **John Kinnley Carter:** NHS; Spanish Club; SCA Rep. **Lydia Marie Chalkley:** HERO Reporter. **William Thomas Chambers:** JV, Varsity Basketball and Football; Basketball Co-Captain. **Michelle Louise Chandler:** Track, JV, Varsity Cheerleader. **Lendon Clark Chappell:** DECA. **Cathy Laverne Cheek:** French Club; Star: Haliscope. **Charles Edward Cheek, Jr.:** JV, Varsity Basketball; Band. **Paedra Lynae Childress:** JV Basketball; Library Assistant. **Tammy Angela Church:** VICA. **Gregory Laine Clark:** Art Club; Computer Club. **Lois Dianne Clark:** VICA. **Mary Shirley Clauden:** Track. **Carolyn Elizabeth Clements:** Family Living Club.

Lendon Bradley
Jean Brandon
Sarah Brown

Lisa Bradley
Debra Brooks
Stacy Brown

Douglas Brandon
Dirk Brown
Fay Bruce



Three career lady

Betty Thomas Jones enjoys married life even though she also attends school and works.

When asked if one should wait until they finish school to get married, Betty replied, "School is an added strain to marriage; but if both of you are sure you're in love and are willing to accept added responsibilities and of course plan ahead, it's great." Betty smiles and continues, "A. B. and I planned ahead. We both went to summer school last summer so that we would only need one credit to graduate." Betty frowned, "I think school

is absolutely boring, but everyone should graduate."

Betty has three careers: housewife, student and salesperson. Betty said, "It's a real strain, but I don't regret getting married at all. Of course, it's a great deal of responsibility; therefore, one must give up some of their free time. Our greatest asset in marriage is Christianity. It helps us tremendously."

Betty laughed, "I love married life. It gets better every day." Her eyes sparkled as she said, "I only wish I had gotten married sooner."

Happy couple. One basis for a good marriage is Christianity as it is for Betty and A.B. Jones. They feel it's a great help in early marriages.





Belinda Bumpass
Marvin Burch
Brenda Burkholder
Joan Burton
Pam Burton



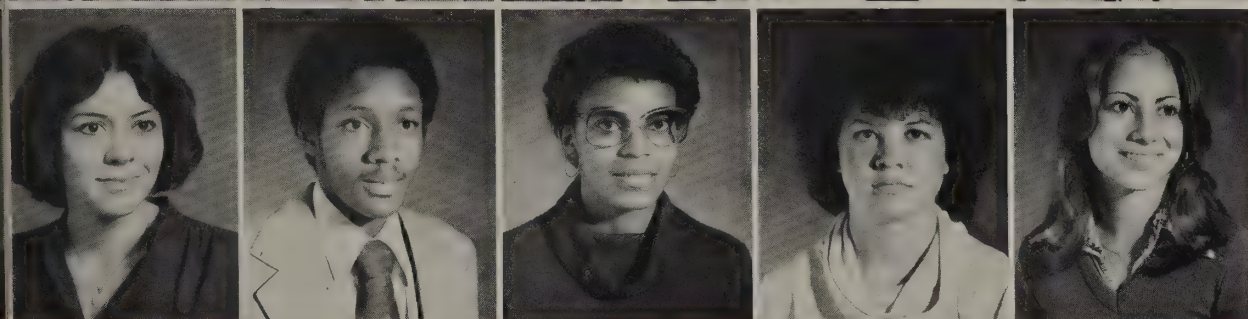
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Michelle Chandler
Ledon Chappell
Michael Chappell



Cathy Cheek
Charles Cheek
Paedra Childress
Anita Church
Tammy Church



Gregory Clark
Lois Clark
Mary Clauden
Brenda Claughton
Carolyn Clements

Kenny Cole
 Ronnie Cole
 Alice Coleman
 Bettie Coleman
 Gregory Coleman



Janice Coleman
 Kathy Coleman
 Pamela Coleman
 Shirley Coleman
 Curtis Coles



Dwayne Collie
 Deborah Conner
 Gary Conner
 Patty Cook
 Debbie Coon



Kenneth Wayne Cole: NHS; Latin Club. **Ronnie Belt Cole:** JV Football; JV Basketball; French Club. **Gregory Thomas Coleman:** FFA Reporter; AIASA. **Janice Frances Coleman:** FBLA. **Kathy Mae Coleman:** Guidance Aide. **Dwayne Edward Collie:** Capt. JV, Varsity Football; Family Living Club; Spanish Club. **Deborah Dorinda Conner:** FBLA Treas. **Patty Ann Cook:** Bus Driver. **Deborah Ann Coon:** VICA Sec. **Yvette Marie Crews:** JV Basketball; French Club; FHA; Family Living Club. **Chancie Barclift Crowder:** Soph. Vice-Pres.; SCA Sgt.-at-Arms; SCA Vice-Pres. Cross Country; Wrestling Capt.; Wrestling MVP; Track; Stage Band; Pep Band; NHS Pres.; Latin Club; Medical Explorers Reporter; Hi-Y Vice-Pres.; MGA; Drama Club; Homeroom Officer; Jr. Marshal; Governor's School; National Merit Letter of Commendation; American Legion Oratorical Winner. **Fletcher Nevell Daniel, Jr.:** FFA. **Kenneth Greene Daniel:** Wrestling; FFA Vice-Pres. **Lisa Gale Daniel:** VICA; Drama Club. **James Marvel Darden:** Galaxy; Mixed Chorus; Camerata; FFA; Spanish Club; Tri-M; All Regional Chorus; Forensic Club. **Bonetta Doritha Davis:** HERO.



Cute clown. Drama Club member Stacie Brown passes out candy to children on Main St. during the Homecoming Parade.

Wild and crazy guy

He's Paul Gravitt and he's considered by his peers to be the craziest guy that ever walked through the doors here. "I'll always try to be humorous," Paul admits. "Humor is in my blood, but I'm not planning to make it a career."

Paul's favorite comedian is Steve Martin. "He's a wild and crazy guy like myself," Paul adds. Paul's interests include going to rock concerts and to the beach. "I like wild and free living," he said.

In response to his opinion of school, Paul says he loves it. "I go to school for the intense purpose of learning," he said. Paul shares what he considers the funniest thing that he ever did in high school.

"One day in one of my English classes I had a book of matches and caught my literature book on fire. The

smoke began to escape into the classroom and the teacher said 'I smell smoke.' Well one of the students said 'Oh they're burning trash today.' Satisfied the teacher said 'Oh.'" Paul adds under his breath, "For awhile I thought I might have to beat out the flames!"

As for marriage, Paul says that it is "not in my life plans, but maybe one day many years from now." If he does finally get married one day, he doesn't plan to have any children. "One Paul Gravitt is all this world needs," he confirms.

Paul admits that he's been funny since "day one." "I'm funny all day long; I'm even funny in my sleep," he laughs. Paul says that he just enjoys making people happy. "When anyone laughs at the things I say and do, it just puts more gas on the fire," he adds.



Wild guy. That's one of the ways Paul Gravitt describes himself as he wears strange gear to class.



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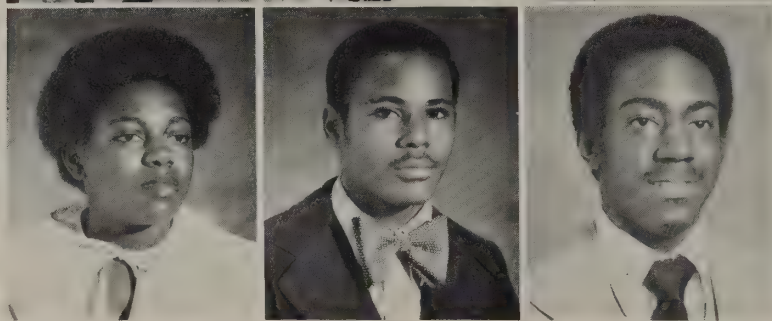
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Edna Davis
Kim Davis
Patricia Davis



Sylvia Delaware
Terry DeShazo
Jerry Dillard



Edna Mae Davis: HERO. **Kimberly Susan Davis:** Haliscope; Star; Art Club. **Patricia Mae Davis:** HERO. **Terry Ricardo DeShazo:** SCA Rep; Pep Band; Advanced Band; Wrestling; Homeroom Officer. **Jerome Douglas Dillard:** Sophomore Pres; SCA Rep; Junior Sgt.-at-arms; Varsity Basketball; Baseball. **Mark Edwin Dillon:** VICA Vice-President. **Donna Tune Dixon:** SCA Rep; Pep Band; Advanced Band; Camerat Secretary-Treasurer; French Club Vice-President; All-Regional Choir; Virginia All-State Choir; National Merit Commendation Award; DAR Good Citizenship Award; Tri-M; Governor's School. **Veria Amanda Dixon:** Spanish Club; FHA. **Shelia Dianne Duffey:** FBIA; FHA. **Helen Skipwith Dunavant:** Star; Haliscope; Galaxy; Spanish Club. **Bonnie Mae Dunkley:** SCA Rep; Basketball; Flag Corp; HERO Photographer. **Mary Katherine Dunn:** SCA Rep; JV Cheerleader; Star Advertising Manager; Haliscope; Spanish Club; Homeroom President. **Madeline Mae Easley.** **Ann Tyler Edmunds:** JV Basketball; Co-captain; Star; Haliscope; Spanish Club; Guidance Aide. **Lawrence Edmunds, Jr.:** Star; Haliscope; French Club; FBIA; Homeroom Officer. **Hallie Mae Edmunds:** Art Club; FHA. **Venus Floresia Edmonds:** Mixed Chorus. **Melissa G. Elliott:** Latin Club. **Louis Montague Epps, Jr.:** SCA Rep. **Rosemary Eudy:** Mixed Chorus; Spanish Club. **Mary Beth Evans:** JV Varsity Cheerleader Star; Haliscope; Latin Club. **Amand Yvonne Farmer:** Homeroom Rep; JV, Varsity Basketball Captain; Volleyball; Softball; All-Regional Band; Girls' State; Tri-M Treasurer. **Timothy Malma Farmer:** DECA; FFA. **Rhonda Dale Farmer:** Star; Haliscope. **Janice Mae Farrar:** HERO; FHA. **Jeffery Wayne Farrar:** French Club; Tennis. **Charla Nanette Faulkner:** Band; Pep Band; Mixed Chorus Pianist; FHA; Spanish Club; Flag Corps.

Mark Dillon
Alma Dixon
Donna Dixon
Veria Dixon
Sheila Duffy



Helen Dunavant
Bonnie Dunkley
K. K. Dunn
Madeline Easley
Lawrence Edmonds



William Edmondson
Ann Tyler Edmunds
Hallie Edmunds
Jeffrey Edmunds
John Edmunds



Career Day outing

Seniors still searching for a career might have found the displays on Career Day to be of value in selecting a career. Nearly every profession was represented at the exhibit at the fairgrounds, and there were many colorful displays and helpful personnel on hand to answer any questions.

Career information ranged from forestry to state police to the armed forces. Local businesses informed students of the career opportunities in their respective fields. Among those present were Ed's Honda, with a tantalizing display of bikes and accessories, Leggett's, the Photo and Camera Shop and local industries. The real estate business, the field of insurance and the world of education were represented.

Among the most interesting exhibits was the "Energy Van," courtesy of Vepco. The production of electricity was explained and various forms of energy such as coal, oil and nuclear energy were on display.

McDonald's provided free orange drink and cookies, and hot dogs were on sale to help quell hunger pangs.

All the students were bussed out to the fairgrounds to see the display. Sophomores went during first, juniors during second and seniors during third period. Therefore, all students got out of at least one class.

Student opinion varied on the value of the project. Most found something of interest, and all enjoyed a few hours out of the classroom.

Long lines. At the Career Day exhibits, seniors found some displays attracted a crowd. Everyone enjoyed the hour out of school.



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Glenda Elliot
Melissa Elliot
Monty Epps
Rosemary Eudy

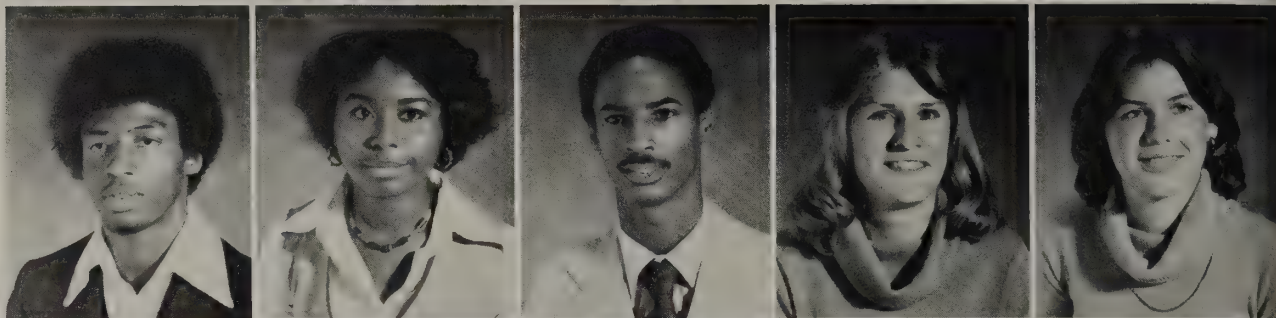
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Cheryl Ferguson
Sheryl Ferguson
Tom Ferguson
Gwen Ferrell



Herbert Ferrell
Vernie Ferrell
Troy Finch
Brenda Fletcher
Amy Frakes



Caryl Francis
Rhonda Francis
Clara Franklin
Ricky Franklin
Mike Fulcher



High scoring six

Six seniors scored high in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test administered in the fall of their junior year.



Semi-finalist. Ranking in the top 10 percent of the nation, Felicia Abbott was honored in the national Achievement Scholarship program.

Felicia Abbott was named a semi-finalist in the National Achievement Scholarship program. This program compared the scores of all black students who took the Merit Exam, and Felicia was ranked in the top five percent. Sarah Brown and John Carter were commended in the program.

The National Merit Scholarship Program compared the scores of all students in the nation. In the top 10 percent of the nation, Donna Dixon, Edward Alderson and Chancie Crowder were commended.

Students scoring in the top 10 percent of the nation are commended; students in the top five percent of the nation are semi-finalists and students in the top one percent are finalists.

Sheryl Fergus: VICA; FBLA; FHA. **Lowell Thomas Ferguson, Jr.:** SCA President; Stage Band; Band Vice-President; Pep Band; NHS; Latin Club; Hi-Y; Drama Club; Homeroom Officer; President of Student Advisory Board; Society of Distinguished American High School Students; Tri-M; Plays. **Vernie Diane Ferrell:** Softball; NHS. **Brenda Lee Fletcher:** NHS. **Amy Carole Frakes:** DECA Club Reporter; Drama Club; SCA Representative. **Caryl Bené Francis:** SCA; Drum Major; Pep Band; Latin Club; Drama Club; Plays. **Rhonda Leigh Francis:** Homeroom President; SCA Representative; Tennis; Varsity Basketball; Haliscope; Star; Spanish Club. **Michael Glenn Fulcher:** Varsity Baseball Captain; NHS; French Club. **Angela Carrington Garland:** SCA Representative; FHA; Bus Driver Club. **Donna Kay Garner:** VICA. **Wandra Denise Garner:** VICA; FHA. **Kenneth Roosevelt Garrett:** Art Club; Homeroom Officer. **Paul Douglas Gentry:** Band; FFA; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Sgt.-at-Arms; AIASA-Secretary. **Sharron Lynn Gentry:** SCA Treasurer; Junior Class President; JV Basketball; Mixed Chorus; Latin Club; Homeroom Office. **Hazel Glass:** Senior Class Secretary; SCA Representative. **Judy Lee Glass:** NHS; Varsity Gymnastics; Co-captain Varsity Girls Tennis;



Angela Garland
Donna Garner
Wanda Garner
Kenneth Garrett
Paul Gentry



Sharron Gentry
Nathaniel Gillespie
Hazel Glass
Judy Glass
Clarence Glasscock



Renay Glasscock
Steven Good
Kerry Goode
Cheryl Gravitt
Donald Gravitt

Star; Yearbook; French Club. **Renay Jill Glasscock:** VICA. **Steven Keith Good:** FFA Secretary, Treasurer; Livestock and Forestry Judging Teams; Parliamentary Procedure Team; Public Speaking. **Kerry Lindsay Goode:** Band; Pep Band; Spanish Club; All Regional Band. **Cheryl Lynn Gravitt:** Haliscope; Star News Editor; NHS Reporter; Girls' State; French Club. **Paul Mechiel Gravitt:** Star; Haliscope; Spanish Club; Homeroom Officer. **Jacquetta Denease Green:** Gymnastics; Flag Corps; JV Cheerleader; Track; Band; Pep Band. **Robert Tyree Greene, Jr.:** Senior Vice-President; JV, Varsity Football; Varsity Golf; Haliscope; Star; NHS Sgt.-at-Arms; Medical Explorers; Homeroom Officer. **Michael Dean Gregory:** SCA Sgt.-at-Arms; Junior Treasurer; JV Basketball, Varsity Football; Varsity Golf; Star; Haliscope; NHS; Latin Club. **Linda Jean Guill:** FBLA. **Nelson Lee Guill, Jr.:** Industrial Arts Club Sgt.-at-arms. **Cynthia Ann Guthrie:** SCA Representative; JV, Varsity Basketball; Star; Haliscope; Spanish Club; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y; Medical Explorers; Homeroom Officer; Driver's Ed. Aide. **Randolph Keith Guthrie:** Latin Club; Star; Haliscope. **Timothy Bernard Guthrie:** JV, Varsity Football; FFA.



Paul Gravitt
Jacquetta Green
Tyree Greene



Mike Gregory
Linda Guill
Nelson Guill



Cindy Guthrie
Randy Guthrie
Sport Guthrie

Hazel Glass

Watch out, Evel Knievel. Amanda Farmer and Susan Inge check out a bike from Ed's Honda during Career Day.



Richard Steven Hailey: Tennis; Art Club; Spanish Club. **Robin Dale Hailey:** Senior Class Sgt.-at-Arms; Varsity Tennis; Star, Haliscope; French Club; SCA Rep. **Cynthia L. Haire:** Gymnastics; Track; Art Club; Spanish Club. **Harold Wayne Hall:** FFA. **John Edward Hall, III:** NHS; Latin Club. **Coolidge Hamlett, Jr.:** Sophomore Vice-President; SCA Rep.; Track; FBLA. **Georgia Irene Hankins:** Softball. **Deborah Gayle Harris:** Art Club; FHA; Spanish Club. **Susan Rodella Harris:** Sophomore Secretary; Junior Secretary; Homeroom Rep. **Valarie Ann Harrison:** Track; HERO; FHA. **Peggy Faye Hatcher:** Homeroom Officer; VICA Vice-President; VICA District Secretary. **Ronnie Isiah Haymes:** FFA. **Frank Dale Henderson:** FFA; Bus Driver; AIASA. **Terry Gwynn Henderson:** Mixed Chorus; VICA Secretary. **Charlie Herbert Hightower:** Homeroom Officer; Track; Football All-Western District, All-Regional, All-State; Spanish Club. **Theresa Hill:** HERO; FFA. **Agnes Fisher Hines:** NHS; FTA; Latin Club. **Emily Honeycutt Hite:** DECA; Latin Club. **Wanda Gail Hite:** DECA. **Brenda Marie Hogue:** Band; Spanish Club; Homeroom Officer. **Alvin Gray Hodges:** FFA Vice-President.

Ricky Hailey
Robin Hailey
Cindy Haire
Harold Hall
John Hall



Coolidge Hamlett
Faye Hammock
Georgia Hankins
Martha Hargrove
Annie Harris



Deborah Harris
Jacqueline Harris
Susan Harris
Valarie Harrison
Peggy Hatcher





Enjoys home. Unlike others, Eddie Bount would like to return to Halifax County to work after college as a civil engineer.

Not one of them

Too many seniors want to graduate and leave the area as soon as possible. Eddie Blount isn't one of them.

Eddie said he would like to come back to Halifax County after college if he could find suitable employment. He enjoys living here and doesn't feel quite ready to leave home yet. He also says he doesn't really mind living out in Clover away from South Boston. "I do enjoy going out on weekends," said Eddie, "but there isn't too much to do around here."

Eddie is a "B" student, a National Honor Society member and a member of the staffs of the "Star" and "Haliscopes."

He said that trig was his hardest class but that he was learning material that would be useful in his future engineering career.

Reflecting on his high

school years, Eddie said it's a little bit sad leaving, especially being a member of the last graduating class. "I am looking forward to college though," Eddie said.

When he's not working or studying, Eddie enjoys hunting, fishing, swimming and other sports. He also is an auto racing fan and likes working on small engines.

Beside these activities, Eddie also played Dixie Youth baseball in Scottsburg.

As for the future, Eddie would eventually like to save enough money and buy a farm so as to have some diversion from his proposed regular job of being a civil engineer. For now, however, Eddie is a model high school student; in fact, he's had perfect attendance his tenth, eleventh and twelfth grade years.



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Ben Hazelwood
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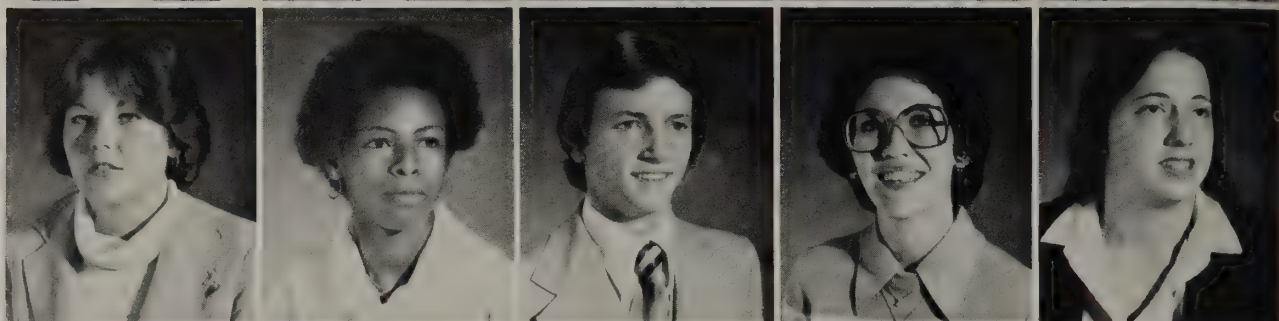
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Gary Howard
Frank Howerton
Priscillia Hubbard
Alison Hudson



Cindy Hudson
Christine Hughes
Bruce Hunt
Joyce Hunter
Susan Inge



Annette Ingram
Karen Irby
Paula Irby
Calvin Jackson
Fran Jackson



The claw. Against Person County, Charlie Hightower grips Lawrence Blackwell's head as he applies a half-nelson.

He's powerful and

He's big (5'11½" tall; 205 pounds).

He's strong (can lift 430 pounds, control weight; 380, free weight).

He's powerful (bi-cepts, 18½"; chest 48").

He's Charlie Hightower, football and wrestling superstar.

"But I'm just a plain, normal person," Charlie insists. "Some people are afraid of me because of my size and build. They shouldn't be. I'm no monster. I like people."

Except those on the opposing football team during a game. Then he's ferocious and he was for five years. All-Western District defensive tackle in his senior year, Charlie had never played organized football before he entered the eighth grade. He took up the game with a vengeance, playing every posi-

tion but mostly linebacker.

Between his junior and senior season's, he worked in the weight room. "I really took football serious, trying to become the best player I could be. Coach Ramsey even told me I worked too hard," Charlie said with a smile.

The work paid off. He was game captain four times and in addition to Western District honors was named to the second team, All-Northwest Regional. His biggest thrill of the year though was beating E. C. Glass. "We had just lost a heart breaker to GW the week before, but we came back with the winning attitude to defeat Glass. It showed we couldn't be put down."

Charlie would like to play college ball at a good school and a career in professional ball would be nice, "but foot-



Michael Jarmon
Margie Jennings
Wayne Johnson
A. B. Jones, Jr.
Betty Jones

Gwendolyn Jones
Matilda Jones
Michael Jones
Stevie Jones
Valentino Jones

Wendy Jones
Stephanie Kenny
Curtis King
Sheila King
Lisa Kipps

he's big

ball is not what I will always want in life. I will major in business or education. After all, you've got to be able to do something after you're 40."

An outdoors man who counts camping, fishing, hunting and swimming among his hobbies, Charlie is also on the wrestling team, competing in the heavyweight class. Although successful at it, he competes only to stay in shape for football. "I won't continue wrestling in college because I will need the time to work on my studies. Grades are important to me."

So Charlie is big, powerful, strong and what most people would call a "nice guy." He knows where he's going in life and unless there is some unforeseen event, he will surely get there in a hurry.



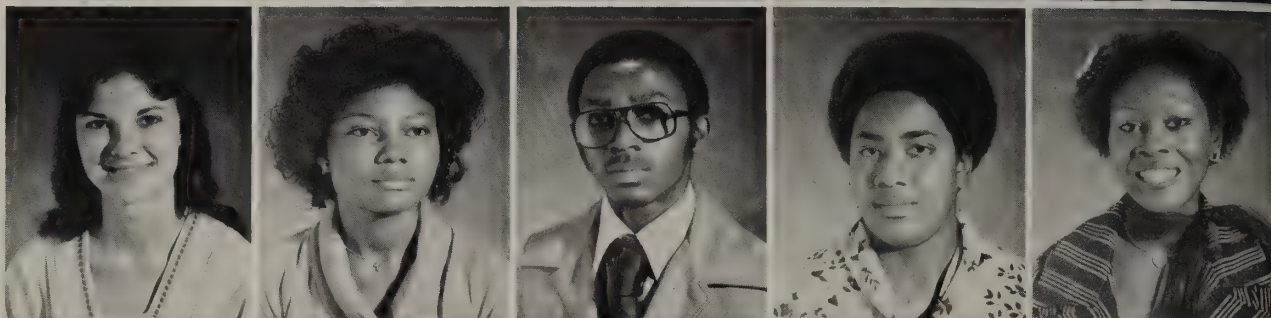
Mr. Stylish. Fifties Day brought out Terry DeShazo in his father's outfit but his own hat.

Ruth Vernell Holt: HERO; FHA. **Frank Edward Howerton:** VICA. **Priscilla Mae Hubbard:** DECA; FHA. **Alison Bridget Hudson:** VICA President. **Christine Hughes:** DECA; FHA. **Bruce Allen Hunt:** DECA; FFA. **Barbara Joyce Hunter:** Camerata; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y. **Susan Denise Inge:** SCA; Varsity Basketball Captain; Track; Star; Haliscope; NHS; Latin Club; Homeroom Pres. **Leila Annette Ingram:** Track; Drafting Reporter; VICA District III Vice-Pres; Homeroom Officer; MGA. **Karen Yvonne Irby:** DECA. **Paula Keith Irby:** Homeroom Pres.; Star Layout Editor; Haliscope; NHS; VICA Pres.; State Reporter; District Treas., Pres.; Latin Club; VICA Student of Year. **Fran Staccato Jackson:** JV, Varsity Football, JV Basketball; VICA; FFA. **Margie Lucille Jennings:** Tennis. **Michael Wayne Johnson:** French Club. **Albert Bailey Jones, Jr.:** VICA; FFA. **Gwendolyn Sue Jones:** NHS; VICA Treas.; Homeroom Rep. **Matilda A. Jones:** DECA. **Michael Terry Jones:** Baseball. **Valentino Jermaine Jones:** JV, Varsity Football; Track; Band; Pep Band; Art Club. **Wendy Jo Jones:** HERO. **Lisa Worsham Kipps:** JV, Varsity Basketball; Band Treas.; NHS; Spanish Club; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Sec.-Reporter; Tri-M; All Regional Symphonic Band.

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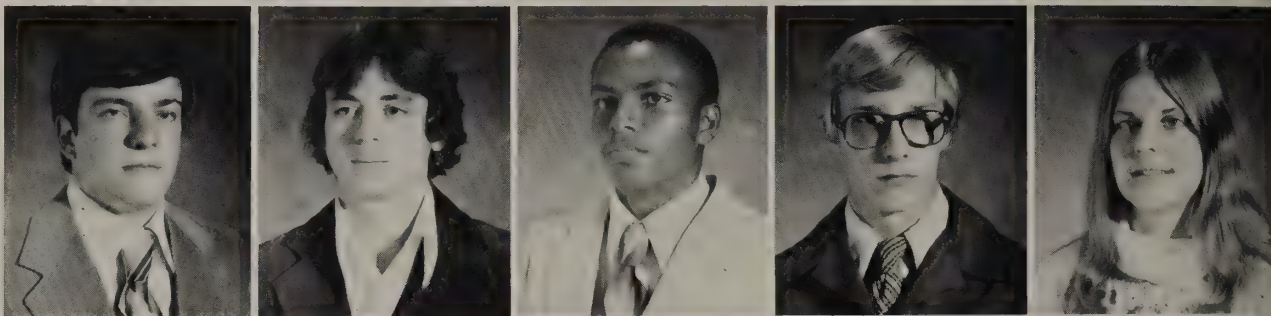
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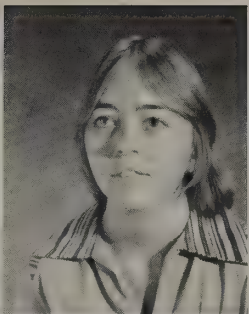


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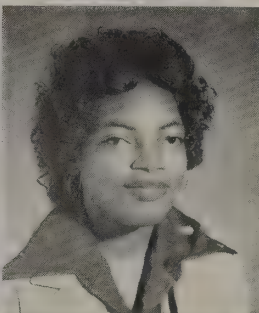
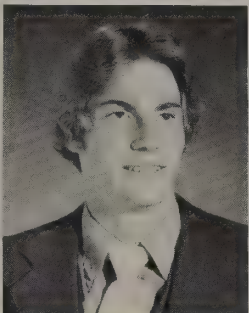
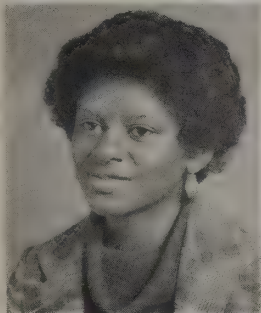


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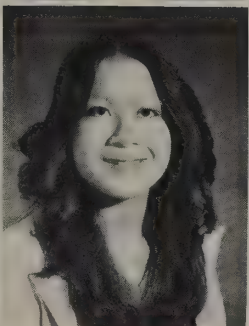




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Edna Majors
Margaret Manuel
Patricia Marable

Linda Inez Kirby: FHA; Spanish Club. **John Will Lacks, Jr.:** DECA. **Timothy Dwayne Lacks:** FFA; Family Living Club. **Kurt Arthur Lambrecht:** SCA; Advance Band; Stage Band; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y Pres.; Computer Club; TRI-M; Forensics; Stage Crew; MGA. **Jean LaVonya Lanttam:** HERO Pres.; Sec. **Queen Marie Lawson:** Family Living Club; Drama Club. **Linda Faye Leigh:** FHA Club. **Ernestine Marie Lewis:** FBLA Club. **Ida Bell Lewis:** FBLA. **Mark Alan Lewis:** FFA Parliamentary Procedure Contest. **Myrna Diane Lewis:** Homeroom Officer. **Ricky Earl Lewis:** SCA; NHS; FFA; Latin Club. **Don Lee Ligon:** VICA. **Pamela Gay Lloyd:** Bus Driver. **Joanne Logan:** Homeroom Officer; Spanish Club; Homecoming Court Attendant. **Sandra Jean Logan:** Mixed Chorus; DECA. **Vida Marsha Logan:** Softball; Pep Band; Art Club; Drama Club; Homeroom Officer. **Alan Dale Long:** NHS; Art Club VICA Drafting Trea. **Brenda Reaves Long:** DECA. **Kathy Ann Long:** Art Club. **Veronica Long:** FBLA; Homeroom President. **David Wayne Lowery:** Band; Art Club; VICA; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y. **Debra Susan Lowery:** HERO Reporter. **Wanda Louise McCargo:** JV, Varsity Cheerleader; Family living Vice-pres.; Drama Club; Homeroom Officer. **Jerry Dean McCormick:** JV, Varsity Football; VICA. **Annette Majors:** VICA; HERO Trea. **Margaret Rose Manuel:** Galaxy Assistant Art Editor; Art Club pres. **Patricia Ann Marable:** DECA.



Happy king. When the pennies were counted, Kenny Word had the most votes for Mr. HCSH. Athletic director Ron Ramsey did the crowning honors. Kenny topped five other athletes to win the prize.

Votes cost pennies

Who said a penny isn't worth much these days? For the eight contestants running for the Mr. HCSH title, a penny bought a vote.

The top senior athletes competing for the third annual Mr. HCSH title included Sport Guthrie, Nathan Wiles, Kenny Word, Lonnie Moore, Elmer Banks, Jerry Dillard, Tino Jones and Steve Bandy.

Coach Ronald Ramsey crowned Kenny Word as Mr. HCSH at the end-of-school dance sponsored by the Booster Club. As the newly crowned Mr. HCSH Kenny comments, "It was a thrill, a great accomplishment and a great asset to my achievement list. I knew I had a good chance of winning, but I didn't expect to win. I never knew I had so many fans, but I am overly grateful for all their support. I am very proud to be Mr. HCSH, and I will always cherish the memory."

Coach Ramsey and the Booster Club were pleased with the success and the fairly large crowd at the dance. Proceeds went to the Booster Club and athletic programs for the school.



"O.K., man!" Ivan Younger and Orlando Irby give their approval to the choice of Mr. HCSH at the end-of-school dance.

Dawn Martin
Kenny Martin
Lewis Martin



Eric Mayo
Sylvia Medley
Charles Michel



Alsandria Miller
Michelle Miller
Jackie Moore



Lonnie Moore
Cheryl Morgan
Chris Morris



Mark Moss
Mona Murray
Holly Neece



Evan Newbill
Virginia Newton
Betty Nichols



Senioritis

In the Mrs. Ann Conner Unabridged Dictionary of Student Ailments, there is an entry that looks somewhat like this: senioritis (sēn yer ī tis) n. A peculiar viral strand of spring fever contracted only by twelfth graders; it is extremely contagious; the side effects are felt by underclassmen, teachers and especially parents, who experience empty feelings near the wallet area.

This disease reached epidemic proportions in mid-April, which was suspiciously near the start of senior privileges. Students affected by senioritis day dreamed in class, forgot to bring books, developed a superior and snobbish air toward juniors and sophomores, became apathetic to work, asked questions that had just been answered and were generally

Every May. When she gets "that look" on her face, students know Mrs. Ann Conner is about to give her famous senioritis speech.

Dawn Marie Martin: Latin Club; Homeroom Officer.
Lewis Randolph Martin: FFA; Parliamentary Procedure Team.
Sylvia Annette Medley: Flag Corp.
Charles Eugene Michel: Tennis; Band; Camerata; Homeroom Pres.; Pep Club.
Alsandria Mae Miller: Camerata; FBLA.
Jackie Lynn Moore: Homeroom Pres., SCA Rep.
Lonnie Carroll Moore, Jr.: Varsity Football; Capt; All Western District; Stars; NHS; Latin Club; Homeroom Pres.
Cheryl Denise Morgan: VICA.
Christopher Louis Morris: AIAA.
Mark Anthony Moss: JV, Varsity Basketball.
Holly Hodges Neece: SCA; JV, Varsity Cheerleader; Star; Haliscope; NHS; Jr. Marshal; Spanish Club; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi Vice-Pres.
Betty Jane Nichols: VICA.
Kelly Jane Nichols: SCA; JV, Varsity Cheerleader Co-capt.; Star; Haliscope; Homeroom Officer; Driver Ed. Aide; Homecoming Attendant.
Christopher Edward Nunn: FHA.
James Marvin Oakes, Jr.: Star; Haliscope; NHS; French Club.
Jeffrey Stover Owen: JV, Varsity Football.
Otis A. Owen: VICA.
Rhonda Kay Palmer: VICA.
Kimberly Gay Parks: FBLA; Spanish Club.
Von Hindenburg Patterson, III: Band, Hi-Y, Tri-Hi-Y; Homeroom Officer.
Michael Conrad Peer: JV Football; Wrestling; Soccer; Tennis; NHS; Latin Club; Boys' State.

becomes epidemic

discontent. Also around mid-April, local bookstores reported a decline in book sales but a sharp rise in the sale of "Cliffs Notes."

Mrs. Ann Conner said that her classes experienced a relatively mild case of senioritis this year. "At least, there were no casualties," she said. However, Mr. Sparks lamented that he had a "real rash" of senioritis sufferers. "I don't want to talk about it," Mr. Clardy said.

"These senioritis students automatically assume that after term papers and AP exams, no more work is required of them," Mrs. Conner added.

"I can tell if they've got the disease by the way they talk about graduation," Mr. Sparks said.

"They seem even more excited this year," Mr. Sparks

went on, "because they are the last graduating class at this school."

"Yes, they really feel free when senioritis strikes," Mr. Johnston said. "They want to get out in the open."

"I don't want to talk about it," Mr. Clardy repeated.

Is there a wonder drug for this dreaded disease? "My 'cocky senior lecture' has absolutely no effect on it," sighed Mrs. Conner.

"Telling them to make sure that they pass first works," Mr. Sparks said, "sometimes."

One teacher, whose identity shall remain unknown for his/her safety, suggested cutting out senior privileges to curb the disease.

"I don't want to talk about it," reiterated Mr. Clardy.



Kelly Nichols
Christopher Nunn



Jimmy Oakes
Forrest Owen



Jacqueline Owen
Jeffrey Owen



Otis Owen
Rhonda Palmer



Kim Parks
Doris Patrick



Happy Patterson
Mike Peer

High flying senior

How many people have helped search for a missing convict and a downed aircraft? Not many, but Nancy Smith has.

Nancy began flying the summer before her senior year. She decided that she wanted to try.

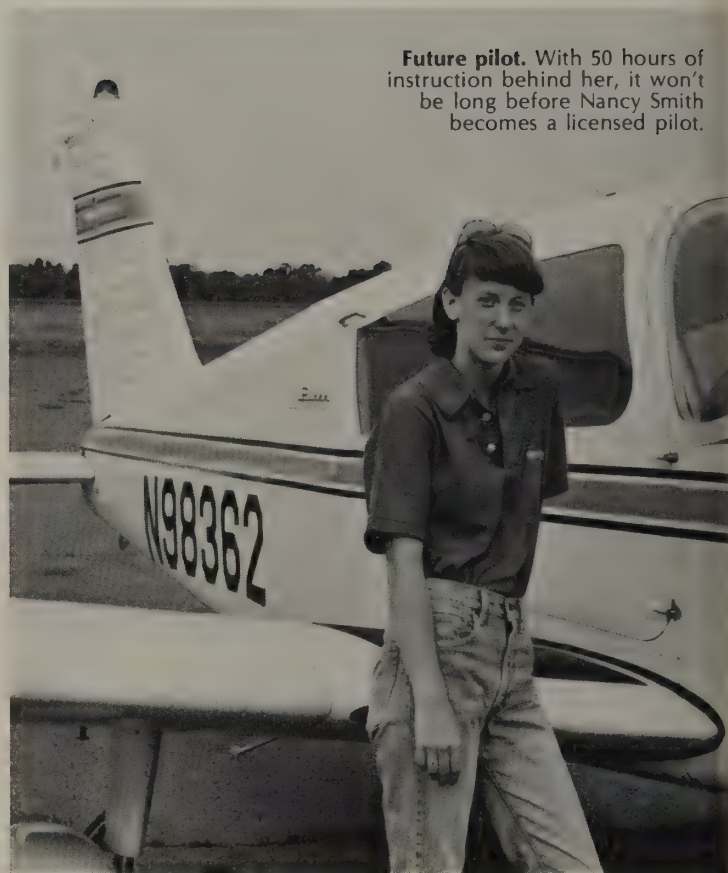
She is now working towards obtaining her pilot's license. Requirements are twenty hours of dual instruction, twenty hours of solo flying, passing a written test and flying with a flight examiner. Nancy has fifty hours of solo and dual instruction combined.

Nancy flew from Emporia to South Boston and from Em-

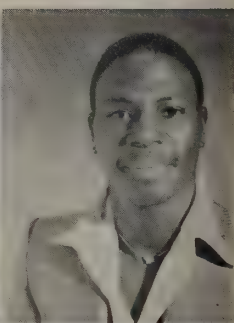
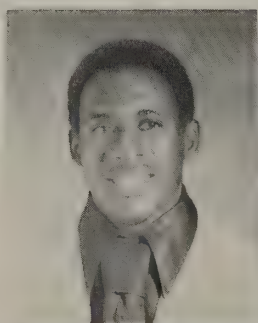
poria to Lawrenceville under dual instruction. She piloted a Piper Cherokee 140, Piper Super Cub and a Piper J-3, and she has also worked with other models. She has learned everything from gasing an airplane to changing the oil and tires.

"Flying is like being free; you really do not know what it is like to sit in a plane by yourself and float around," Nancy said. "I was the only girl pilot in Emporia and there were about 20 other pilots," she commented. In the future, Nancy would like to fly a commercial charter. "Now that would be fun," she said.

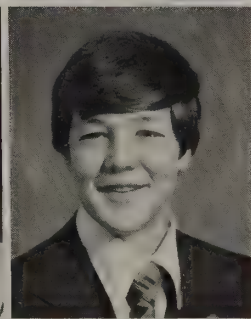
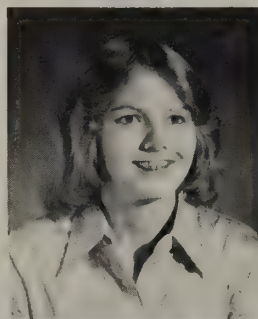
Future pilot. With 50 hours of instruction behind her, it won't be long before Nancy Smith becomes a licensed pilot.



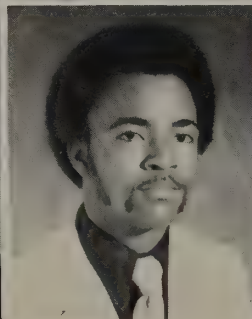
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Mary Perkins
Ricky Perry



Lisa Phillips
Susan Phillips
Joseph Piechota
Ed Pittard
Teresa Poindexter



Evelyn Pointer
Ellen Pool
Alphonso Powell
Lisa Powell
Pamela Powell



Mary Elizabeth Perkins: DECA. **Lisa Marlene Phillips:** Star; Haliscope. **Susan Card Phillips:** DECA. **Joseph Mark Piechota:** Golf; French Club. **Johnnie Edward Pittard, Jr.:** SCA; Band; French Club; Hi-Y; Tri-M Vice Pres.; Symphonic Bands; MGA; Wind Symphony; Stage Crew. **Ellen Lynn Pool:** Latin Club. **Alphonso Powell:** VICA. **Pamela Rose Powell:** NHS; Homeroom Officer and Homecoming Attendant. **Tracy Conrad Powell:** Band. **Wanda Lynn Powell:** NHS; French Club, Family Living Club, Drama Club. **Samuel Edward Puryear:** FFA. **Bonnie Susan Ragsdale:** Band; Head Majorette; Pep Band; Art Club; DECA; Homeroom Officer. **Judy D. Ray:** Softball. **Luther Robert Reagan:** VICA; FFA; AISA Club. **Frances Louise Rebick:** SCA; Track; "Star"; French Club; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y. **Cynthia Jorene Reeves:** Band; Latin Club; Homeroom Officer; Tri-M; Drum Major. **Agnes Renay Rice:** FFA. **Cindy Gail Rice:** VICA. **Earl Thomas Rice:** FFA. **Carl Bowman Richardson:** NHS; Homeroom Officer. **John Gary Richardson:** JV Football; DECA. **Donald Carter Rickman:** FFA. **Wanda Gayle Rickman:** Flag Corp; Art Club; Spanish Club; Hi-Y; Tri-Hi-Y; Library Assistant.



Tracy Powell
Wanda Powell

Edna Pringle
Sam Puryear



Bonnie Ragsdale
Judy Ray
Bobby Reagan
Frances Rebick
Cindy Reeves

Agnes Rice
Cindy Rice
Earl Rice
Carl Richardson
John Richardson

Donnie Rickman
Wanda Rickman
Tim Ridgeway
Jane Rinker
Kimberly Roark

Top two. At Class Day exercise John Hall and Annette Saunder were named tops academically

'Surprised' feeling

How do you feel when you're named class valedictorian or salutatorian? "Surprised" was the answer given by both valedictorian John Hall and salutatorian Annette Saunders after the announcement was made for the first time during Class Day exercises.

John was "shocked" when he heard his name called out on Class Day. "I couldn't believe it," he said. "Being named the valedictorian came as a complete surprise to me," he continued.

John was able to get his 96.113 grade point average by putting in a lot of hard work. He studied two to three hours each night; and although he was not overly fond of the pastime, he really didn't mind

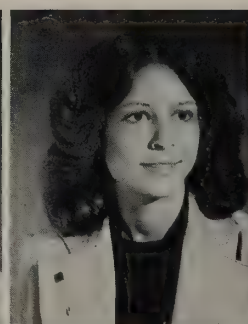
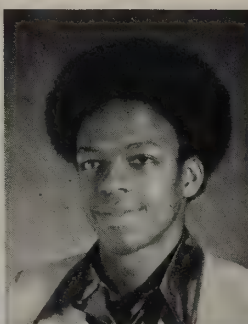
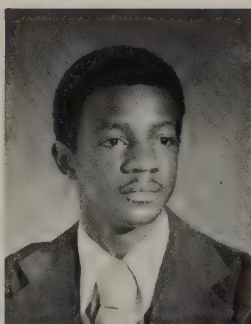
it. At the present time, John is not quite sure what college he will attend or the type of career he will pursue.

"I had no idea that I was so near the top of the class," Annette said. It may have been easier for Annette to obtain a 95.760 grade point average than for other students for she really liked to study. It didn't bother her a bit to spend two or three hours every night pouring over her books. And if that wasn't enough, she was also head cheerleader.

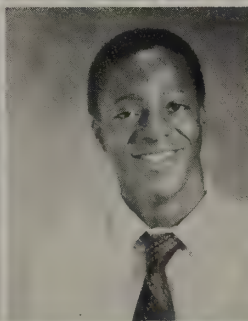
Annette is very sure of her future. She plans to attend Longwood College and major in early childhood education. She would then like to teach the very young children in kindergarten.



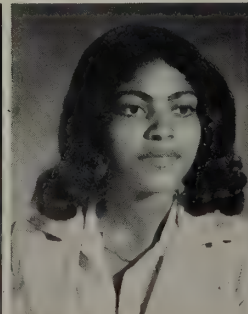
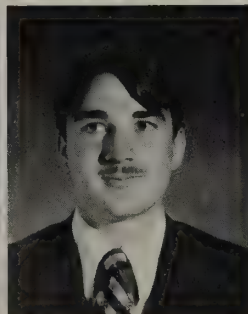
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Regina Sadler
Annette Saunders



David Saunders
Donnie Saunders
Harris Saunders
Katherine Saunders
Mark Schreffler



Barbara Seamster
Curtis Seamster
Cynthia Seamster
Vivian Seymour
Betsy Shelton



Class officers. (Seated) Cheryl Bostick, treasurer; Hazel Glass, secretary; **(standing)** Robin

Hailey, sergeant-at-arms; Tyree Greene, vice-president and Steve Bandy, president.



Calvin Nathaniel Robertson: Mixed Chorus; Art Club; Camerata. **Dennis Keith Roller:** Camerata; FFA Reporter; SCA Rep. **Oscar Cunningham Royster:** DECA; FFA. **Regina Dawn Sadler:** DECA. **Barbara Annette Saunders:** NHS Sec.; FTA; Hi-Y, Tri-Hi-Y Pres.; JV and Varsity Cheerleader, Homeroom Pres. **Donnie Phillip Saunders:** SCA Rep.; Homeroom Pres.; VICA; Soccer. **Mark Cline Schreffler:** Band Pres.; Pep Band; NHS; French Club; Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y; Sgt.-at-Arms; Homeroom Pres.; SCA Rep.; Tri-M; Stage Band; MGA. **Cynthia Gale Seamster:** DECA. **Elizabeth Payne Shelton:** SCA Rep.; Star; Haliscope; Latin Club; Hi-Y, Tri-Hi-Y; Homeroom Officer. **Ethelyn Gayle Shields:** Star; Haliscope; Latin Club. **Rhonda Inez Short:** FBLA; Softball. **Ricky Owen Short:** SCA Rep.; FFA; Wrestling. **Steve Henry Short:** VICA. **Patricia Ann Skerl:** Track; Band; French Club; Hi-Y, Tri-Hi-Y; **Paul Brian Slabach:** SCA Rep.; NHS; French Club; FFA Officer. **Sandra Annette Slayton:** Flag Corp; NHS. **Robert Lee Smart, Jr.:** Spanish Club; Drama Club. **Nancy Allen Smith:** SCA Rep.; Star; Tennis Basketball; Haliscope; French Club; Homeroom Officer. **Carl Dean Snead, Jr.:** DECA.



Gaye Shields
Barbara Short
Rhonda Short
Ricky Short
Steven Short

Billy Shortt
George Sims
Patty Skerl
Paul Slabach
Sandra Slayton

Wanda Slayton
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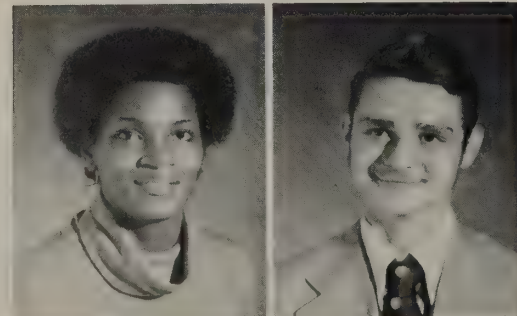
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Angela Sweeney
Nancy Sydnor
Gina Talbott
Bessie Terry



Gwendolyn Terry
John Terry
Thomas Thaxton
Janice Thompson



Ten given grants

Awards in the form of scholarships went to outstanding seniors during Class Day exercises.

The Mary B. Bethune Alumni Association, through four of its chapters, awarded scholarships to outstanding black students John Carter, Sarah Brown, Coolidge Hamlett and Felicia Abbott. At the ceremonies, the scholarships were presented by Mr. George Gunn, president of the local chapter.

Annette Saunders won the grant presented by the Phi Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society while Lonnie Moore received the Tuck Dillard Award and Scholarship for being outstanding in athletics, character and scholarship.

The two Virginia Tompkin McLaughlin Scholarships went

to Jackson Anderson and Mary Katherine West. Jackson also won a grant from the Woman's Club of Halifax.

The final two seniors to receive scholarship awards announced on Class Day were Mike Gregory, the Marshall Swanson Award and Donna Dixon, the Dr. Bessie Carr Award.



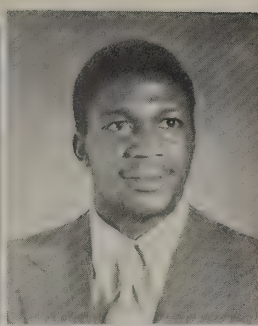
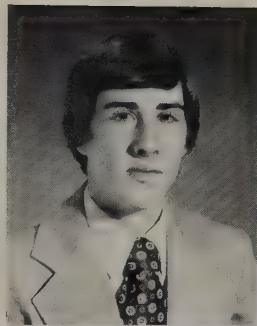
Award winner. Lonnie Moore gets the Tuck Dillard Award from Mr. Steve Schroeder, JC president.



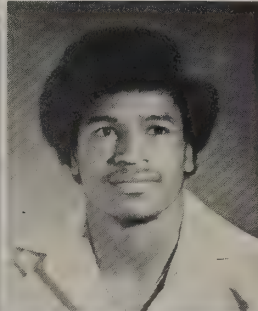
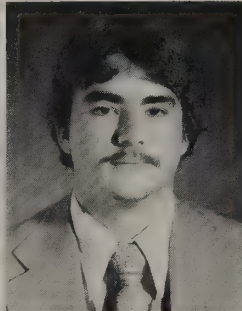
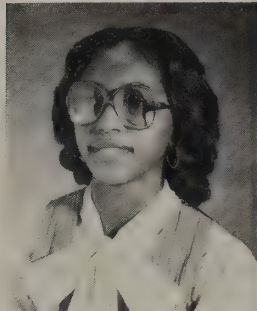
Michael David Snead: SCA Rep.; FFA. **Ronnie Dale Snead:** DECA. **Sharon Rose Solomon:** NHS; VICA. **Annie Tamera Stevens:** VICA. **Vanessa Charlene Stovall:** Gymnastics; Track; **Kirk La-monta Strange:** JV Basketball; Band; French Club; Computer Club; Mixed Chorus; Pep Band; **Nancy Renee Sydnor:** Softball; Homeroom Officer; Basketball. **Gina Renee Talbott:** Band; VICA. **Bessie Mae Terry:** IAASA. **Thomas Thaxton:** JV Varsity Football; All-Western District; Basketball Mgr. **Coris David Throckmorton, Jr.:** FFA. **Michael Anthony Torain:** Pep Band. **Brenda Lee Traynham:** FHA; Spanish Club; Mixed Chorus; Homeroom Officer; Band; Flag Corp.; SCA Rep. **Herman Radford Trent:** Baseball; JV Football; Track; Art Club. **Susan Lynn Tuck:** FBLA Pres. **Deborah Michelle Tucker:** HERO. **Tina Marie Tucker:** VICA. **Valinda Alease Tucker:** VICA. **Bridget Denise Tune:** Homeroom Officer; SCA Rep. **John Michael Tune:** SCA Rep.; Star; Haliscope; Homeroom Officer. **Rebecca Ann Vaughn:** Haliscope; Star. **Susan Ann Vaughn:** SCA; Tennis; Art Club; Spanish Club. **Dorothy Mae Wade:** HERO. **Alan Gay Wallace:** JV, Varsity Football. **Catherine Cynthia Waller:** NHS.



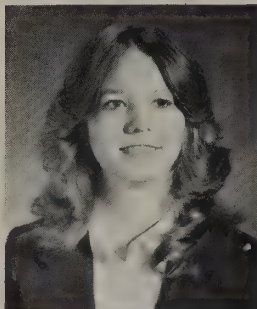
Scholarship honoree. One of four winners, Sarah Brown accepts the Mary Bethune Alumni Association Scholarship from chapter president Mr. George Gunn.



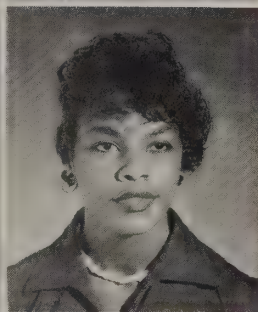
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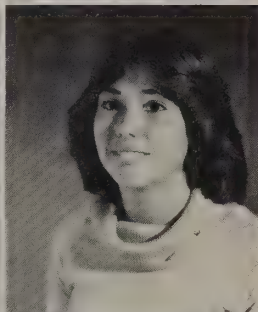
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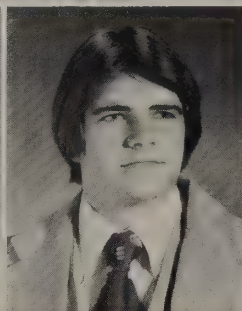
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Mike Tune
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Susan Vaughan



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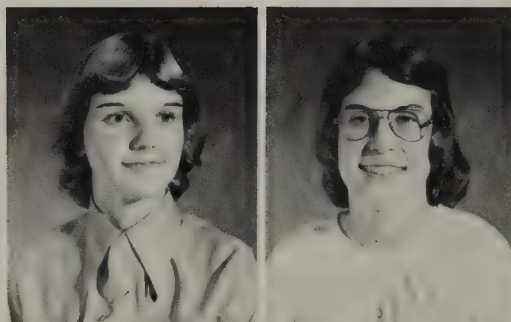
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Tim Wilborne
Nathan Wiles
Hugh Wilkerson
Richard Wilkerson



Terri Wilkerson
Kathy Williams



Vera Williams
Vincent Williams



Departments honor

Prestigious awards went to seniors on Class Day who had done outstanding work in the different departments and specialized areas of the school's activities.

Paula Irby was presented the "News-Record" Journalism Award and John Carter won the Vepco Award given to the most outstanding science student.

Other winners and their departments were Brenda Lee Fletcher, business education; Belinda Bumpass, occupational home economics; Paul Slabach, agriculture and Logan Anderson history.

Also honored were Brenda Fletcher, Amanda Farmer, Charlie Link, Ronnie Haymes, Christopher Morris and Wanda McCargo, special attendance awards. Brenda had never missed a day from school since entering the first grade. Others included Steven Good, FFA; Harris Saunders, the

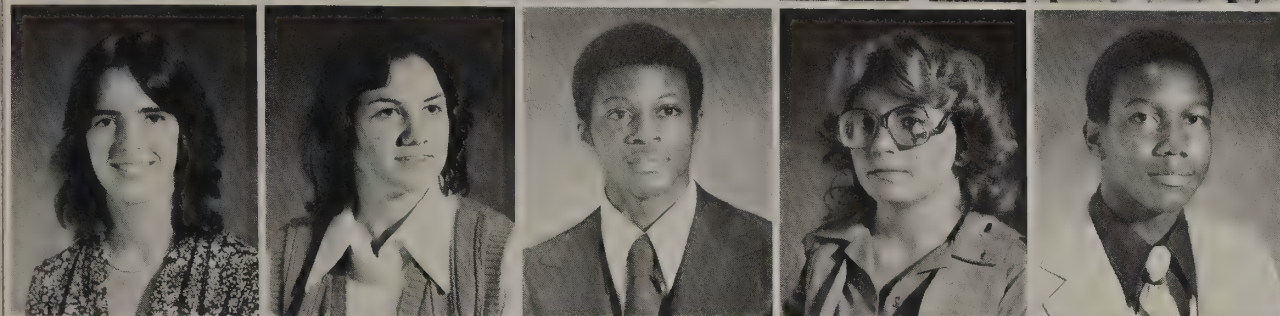
Booster Club; Nancy Smith, SCA; Logan Anderson and Chancie Crowder, National Honor Society and Alphonso Powell, bus driver.



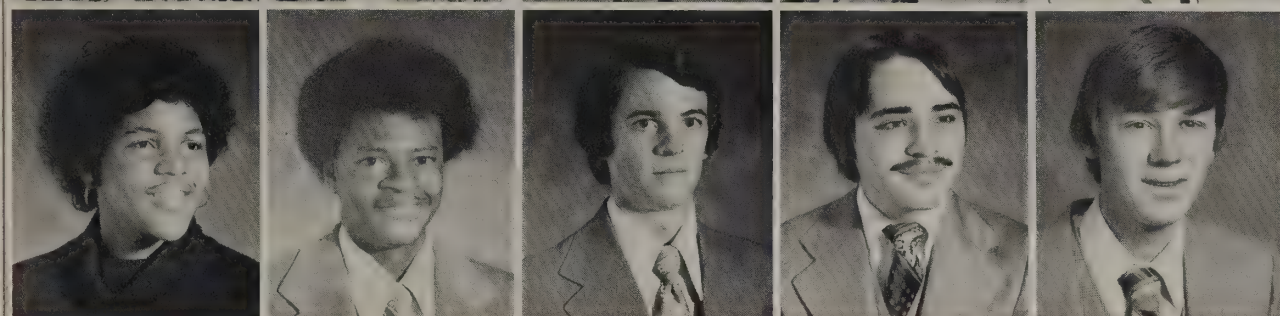
Amazing record. Brenda Fletcher was honored by Dr. Venable for being outstanding in business and for never missing a school day.



Brian Williamson
Lita Wilmouth
Kelly Wilson
Pamela Wilson
Charlene Womack



Wanda Womack
Kathy Wood
Mike Wood
Susan Wooding
Joel Wyatt



Ruth Wyatt
Calvin Wyche
Alan Yates
Anthony Young
Lawson Younger

Seniors



Vinners. Paula Irby (top) gets the journalism trophy from Mr. Hugh Moore and Harris Saunders, Booster Club Award from Dr. Venable.

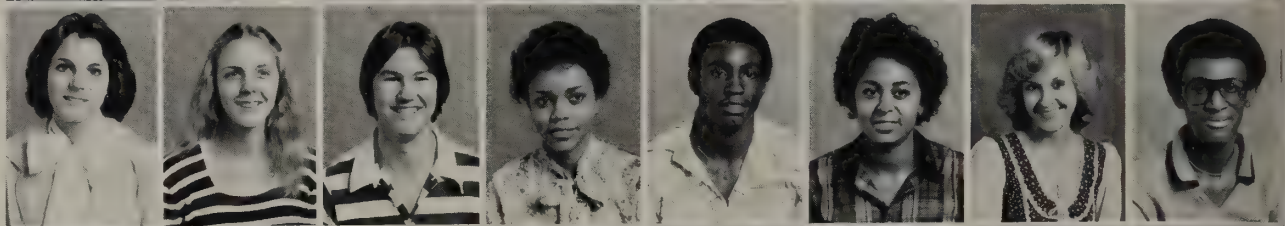


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Barbara Allen
Janice Allen
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Kim Allen
Tammy Allen
Deborah Anderson
Sharon Andrews



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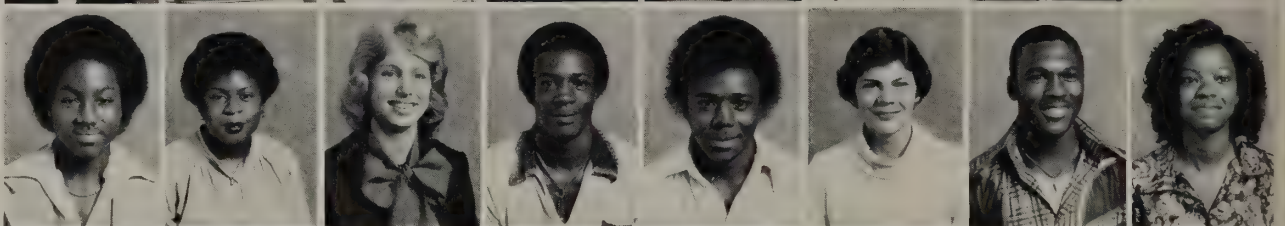
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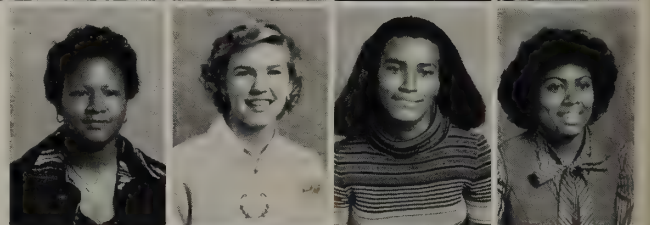
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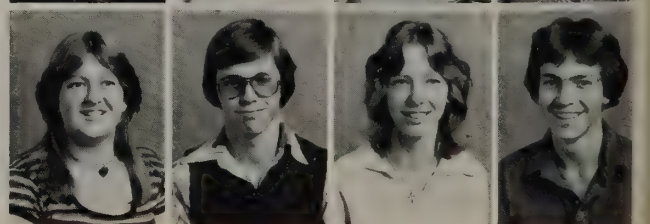
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Elaine Burton
Steven Butler
Dolores Cabaniss
Ernest Campbell



Prom preparations.
Tina Jones, Hugh
Carr and Debbie
Hill look over
prom decoration
plans.



Raffles, sales: all to raise money for the prom



Junior officers. (Bottom) Tamera Overton, secretary; Patricia Popek, treasurer; **(top)** Jane Brandon.

vice-president; Tyler Hudson, president; Kim Blackstock, secretary. Not pictured, Ronald Jones.

For the juniors and their officers, it was a big job.

The class had the responsibility of making a prom that would reflect the last year of the school. After much debate, the officers decided on the theme, "We'll never pass this way again," which suited the idea they were trying to achieve.

The juniors held money-raising projects that included holding a raffle, selling carnations and selling senior T-shirts. As Tyler Hudson, junior class president, said "We held a lot of small money projects, no big money winner."

Most of the money to finance the prom came from the \$1 activity fee that each student is required to pay at the beginning of the year in order to attend the prom. The fund-raising projects brought in the extra money that was needed to make a successful dance.

The raffle tickets sold for \$1 each; the class made \$300.

Two seniors won \$25 and two free steak dinners at Thomas Long's Steak House. One junior received a free class ring compliments of Jenkins and two sophs won \$25 and an annual.

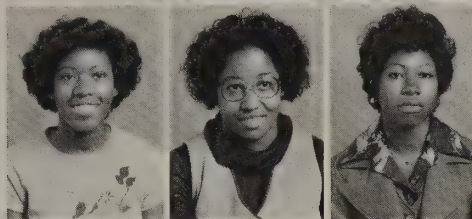
For Valentine's Day, the juniors sold 185 carnations for \$1.25 each. The carnations, which were available in red, white or pink, could be ordered during lunch and sent with a message to anyone in the school during first period.

The last fund-raising project was the sale of "Class of '79" T-shirts to seniors. They sold forty-seven shirts for \$3.50 each.

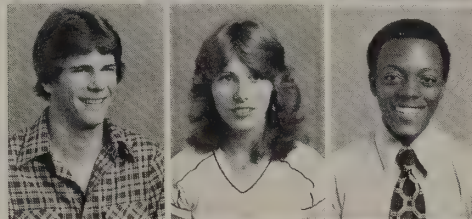
Some of the projects did not bring as much money as expected, but Tyler and Jane explained that there are always other clubs holding sales and it's hard to compete because you can't expect the students to buy everything the clubs are selling.



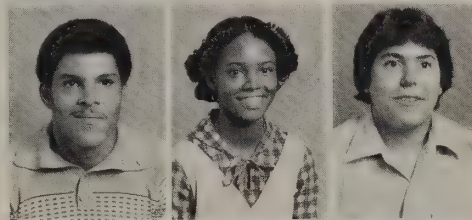
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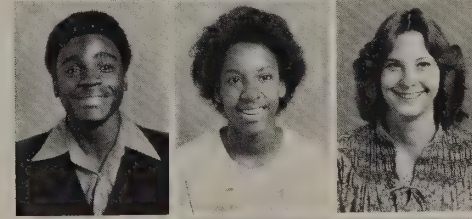
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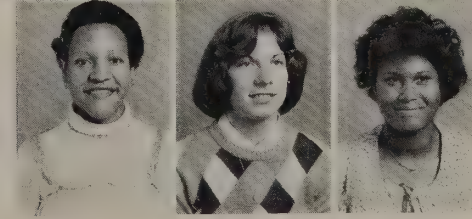
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Barbara Clark
Mary Clark

One twin doesn't always hang out with the other



Seeing double. Junior twins are (by sets) Aleta (top) and Bonita (bottom) Frazier, Juanita and

Shernita Chandler, Joyce and Janice Allen and Donna and Dawn Banks. The Coleman twins were camera shy.

What is it like being a twin? Twelve juniors can't tell you because they don't know what it is like not to be a twin.

There are six sets of twins in the class: Joyce and Janice Allen, Juanita and Shernita Chandler, Donna and Donald Coleman, Donna and Dawn Banks, Benita and Aleta Frazier and Rhonda and Wanda Loftis.

Although a twin, each has a separate life, doing what she wants. That doesn't mean that the other twin is always right beside, doing the same thing.

Janice Allen is the older of the Allen twins, "but only by three minutes," interrupted Joyce. The girls dressed alike until the third grade; and Joyce commented, "I hated it because people would stare and talk about us." They were separated in school in the third grade so they would not become dependent on each other.

Donna Banks proudly says, "I'm the oldest." They too dressed alike when they were little. Donna commented, "When we did that, people often got us confused."

Donna and Donald obviously had no trouble being recognized; and they never, obviously, dressed alike. "This way you hardly ever realized

you had a twin," Donna said.

Of the Frazier girls, Aleta is the older by two minutes. The twins dressed alike until eighth grade. They both said, "It was okay; we could trade clothes easily. People used to confuse us; but since I got my hair cut, we don't look that much alike," Aleta said.

Wanda is older than Rhonda by about three minutes. The girls dressed alike until they were eight. Both girls said that people got them confused.

Juanita and Shernita don't think that being twins is much fun. They used to dress alike but hardly ever do now. Both girls are sports minded and play on the school's softball team.



More twins. The Loftis girls are Rhonda and Wanda, who is older by about three minutes.

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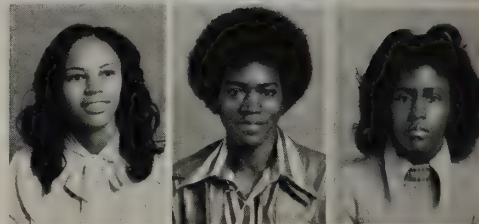
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Valerie Cowell
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Bill Crews
Connie Crews
Anna Kay Crews
May Crews

Patricia Crews
Robyn Crews
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Donna Davis
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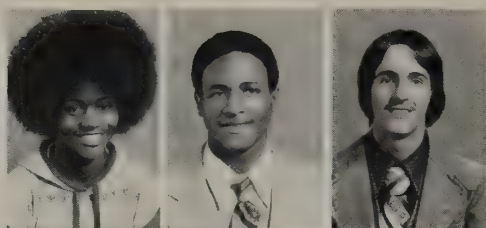
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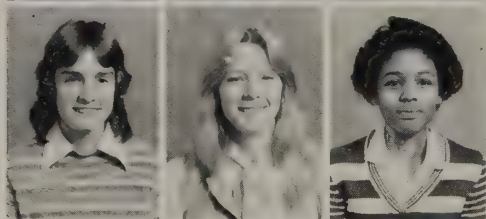
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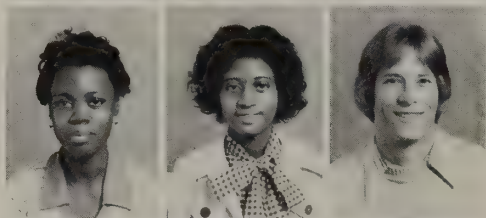
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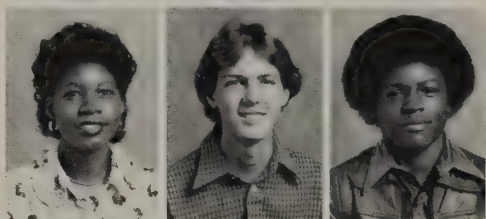
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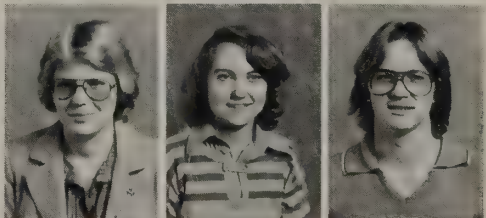
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Eighty twists required for the rings of the Class of '80

The eleventh grade: a mixture of fun, responsibilities and anticipation.

Ordering a class ring was a special part of a junior's year. For days after the rings arrived, all one could hear was "Did you get white or yellow gold or Duralite?" or "What color stone did you order; is it cut or sunburst?"

When the rings finally arrived, amid the "oohs" and "ahs" of admirers, one could see people carrying on strange traditions. For example, a stranger might come up and request, "Twist my ring around my finger." As a member of the Class of '80, a student was supposed to get eighty different people to twist his ring. A junior's class ring signifies a step closer to graduation now, but later the ring will become a source of high school memories.

Included in those memories were the lesser "honors" of the junior class such as the Scholastic Aptitude and Achievement Tests and, for

college bound juniors, term papers. Many juniors regarded SAT's and achievements as a necessary evil for colleges and jobs. Term papers, which were only required for college preparatory classes, unlike previous years, were classified as "pointless". Bob Carter went so far as to say that term papers were "devised by some ancient culture to wipe out teenagers."

The junior class was also responsible for planning and decorating for the Junior-Senior prom. The majority of juniors did not mind this traditional job because, as Robin Clark reasoned, "It's better than being a sophomore and having to clean up."

"Being a junior is the time for me to think I only have one more year to go, and then it will be all over," Kelly Bradshaw commented. "High school's over, and it's time to get serious about college and life ahead." Perhaps receiving "junior honors" reminded her and her class to get serious.



Junior honors. A term paper is one of the "honors" for juniors. Other honors consist of receiving

class rings and taking SAT tests. Mollie Robinson works on her term paper in the library.



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 Brian Holeman
 Filbert Holeman
 Lisa Holland
 Melissa Horton
 Albert Hubbard
 Michael Hubbard
 Patricia Hubbard

Mary Jane Hudson
 Michael Hudson
 Patricia Hudson
 Robin Hudson
 Susan Hudson
 Tyler Hudson
 Cindy Hughes
 Karen Hughes

Andrew Humphries
 Lori Hunt
 Luke Hunt
 Lynn Ingram
 Tony Ingram
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 Orlando Irby
 Robin Irby

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 Wanda Jackson
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 Lisa Jennings
 Janet Johnson
 William Johnson
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 Donna Kearney
 John Kelly
 Curtis King
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Teresa King
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 Irvin Lewis

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 Kathy Lloyd
 Russell Logan
 Stanley Logan
 Thomas Logan
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 Wanda Loftis

Jonna Long
 Kenny Long
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 Marshall Lowery
 Veronica Majors
 Muriel Marable
 Deborah Marshall

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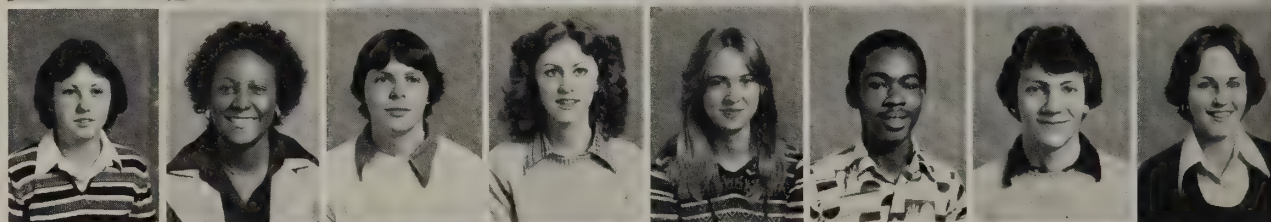
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Kerby Moore
Marian Moore
Susan Moore
Clarine Moorman



Kim Morris
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Randy Mulchi
Terrie Murray
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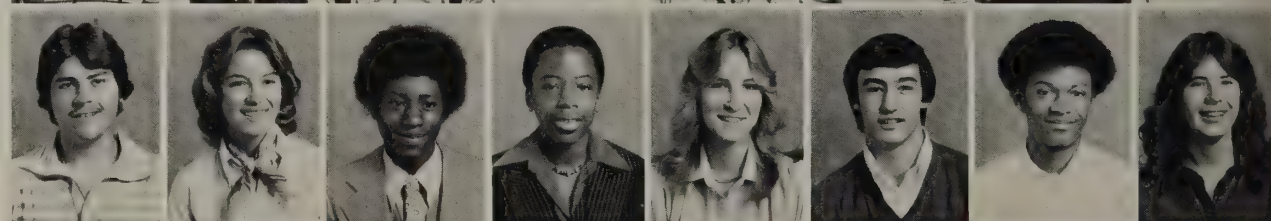
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Tony Reaves
Johnny Reese
Priscilla Rice
Sandra Rice



One school ends, another begins for talented three



Summer scholars. Adeana Hall, Tyler Hudson and Tom McLaughlin attended the Governor's School for

the Gifted during the summer. The activities included classes, workshops, seminars and movies.

For Adeana Hall, Tyler Hudson and Tom McLaughlin, school didn't end on June 7. They attended the Governor's School for the Gifted during June and July.

The Governor's School is a state supported institution for academically gifted or artistically talented students. The Governor's School is located on three college campuses. This summer, Tyler and Adeana attended classes at Mary Baldwin College at Stanton while Tom visited Randolph Macon Women's College at Lynchburg.

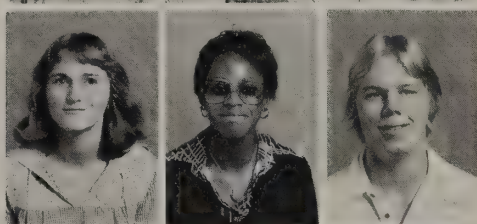
The school was "an experience" for all three students.

"I'm very happy I had the chance to attend Governor's School," said Adeana. "It's a wonderful opportunity for any student." Tom added, "It was always a lot of fun, and I met some very interesting people." Of the school, Tyler simply said, "I feel honored."

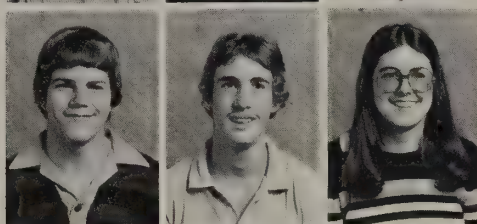
The Governor's School provided a curriculum that included classes, separate activities, seminars, movies and workshops. The cost of tuition, rooming and activities was paid by the state. Adeana took a course in art, and Tyler majored in botany. Tom's courses included computer science and political science.



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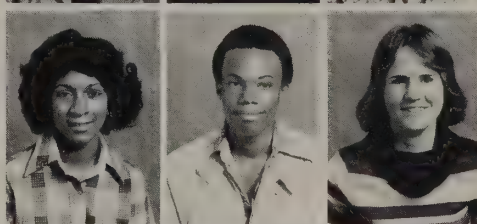
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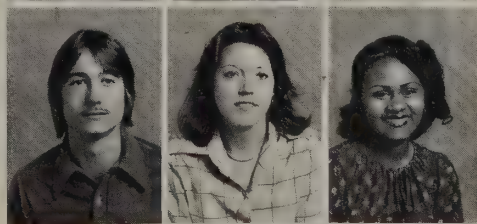
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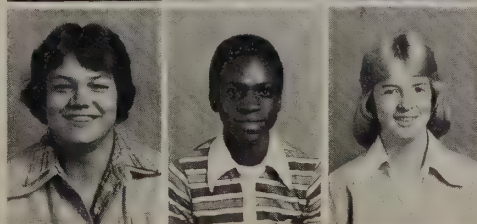
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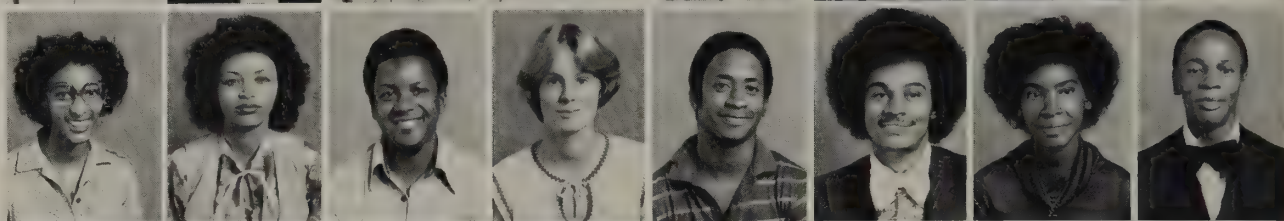


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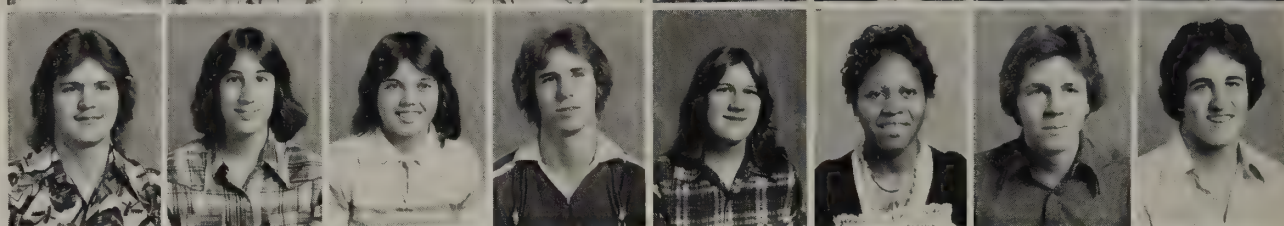
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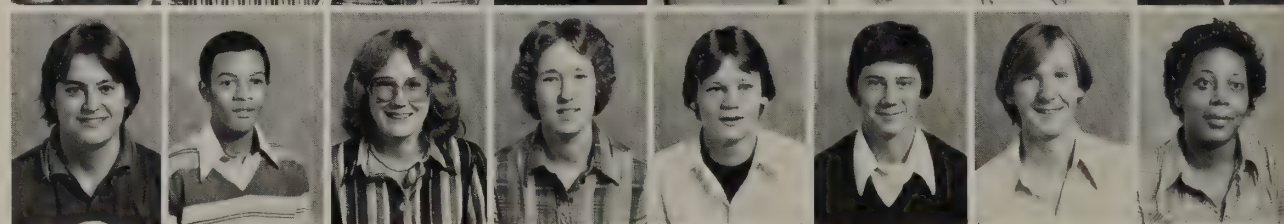
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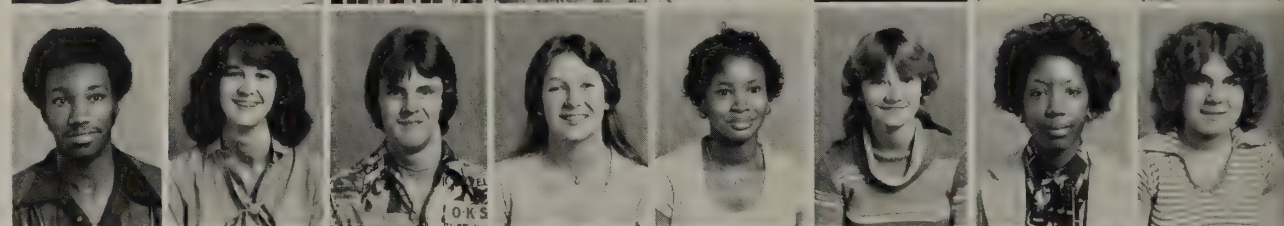
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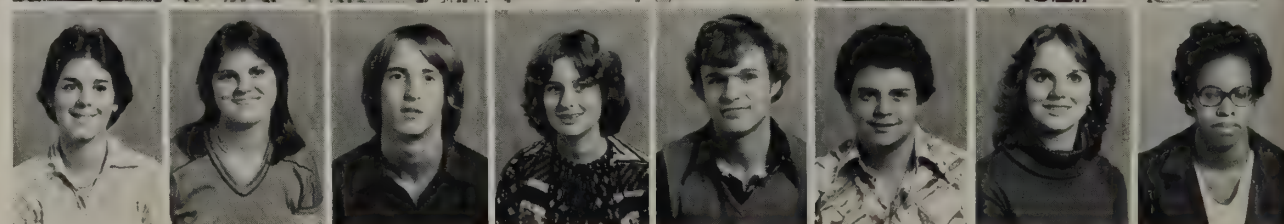
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Phillip Whitt
Tammy Whitt
Earl Wilborn
Jeff Wilborn
Paula Wilbourne
Katherine Wilkerson



Inductions bring silent gym, internal excitement



Deserved reward. Sandra Slayton pins the honor society ribbon on Charles Pringle during the honor

society inductions. The new members were required to wear the ribbons for a week.

The gym was silent for a change. Most of the excitement was happening on the inside of the 48 juniors who were being inducted into the National Honor Society.

After being tapped, Wanda Griffin was calm until, "I couldn't get the zipper zipped on my robe."

Sandra Smith seemed to feel the same way except she was also terrified. "I was so scared and excited, I almost cried."

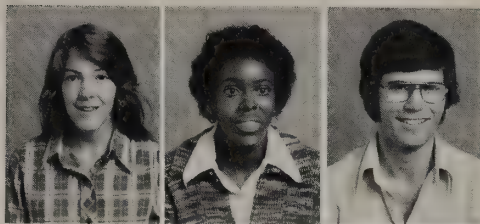
Most students said they felt honored, too. Indeed it was an honor for each student had maintained a 90 or above average during the two years he or she attended here. They were also judged outstanding in their service to school and community, leadership and character.

One non-inductee commented, "It's a great idea for the good students to be recognized. Far too much

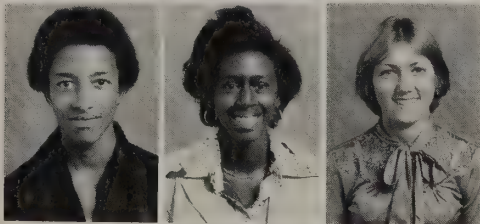
emphasis is placed on disciplinary problems. People are always saying how bad teenagers are, but these people prove that wrong."

Those inducted were Randy Bagby, Vicky Barber, Kim Blackstock, Jon Bowen, Laura Brandon, Carolyn Brown, Hugh Carr, Cheryl Chandler, Martha Clements, Donna Crews, Todd Dillow, Vickie Dixon, James Duffie, Charlotte Fisher, Janet Getz, Robert Glass, Wanda Griffin, Adena Hall, Martha Hamilton, Brian Holeman and Susan Hudson.

Others were Tyler Hudson, Robin Irby, Janet Johnson, John Kelly, Cheryl Link, Russell Logan, Dewey Lowery, Tom McLaughlin, Edward Midkiff, Laura Miller, Ruth Mitchell, Vince Newton, Molly Payne, Charles Pringle, Dean Reaves, Lori Satterfield, Mary Beth Satterfield, Mike Saunders, Sandra Smith, Sharon Thomas, Sonya Williamson and Cordia Wilson.



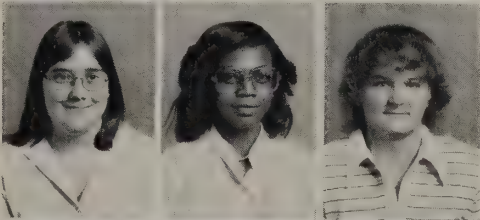
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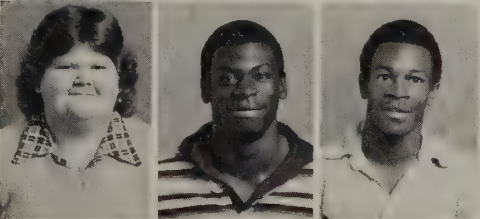
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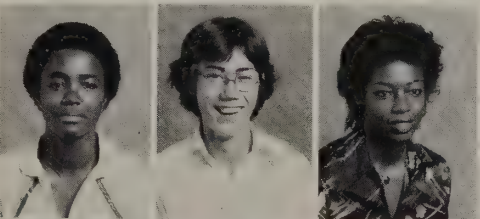
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Ginger Yancey



Franklin Younger
Wanda Younger

A sophomore in the Little Theatre lead isn't the usual thing



Shy moment. Surrounded by other cast members, Kathy Lawson rehearses her leading role in the

musical "The Boy Friend," produced by the Halifax County Little Theatre.

It isn't the usual thing. In fact, it's down right extraordinary. A sophomore, Kathy Lawson, won the lead in "The Boy Friend," the spring play of the Little Theatre.

High school students have always been cast in the Little Theatre's musicals, but never has one so young been given the leading role. The closest was Chris Jones who as a junior played the title role of "Oliver" in 1969. Ironically, Chris, who has now made the theatre his career, is playing opposite Kathy in "The Boy Friend."

When asked how she feels about receiving the lead role, Kathy commented, "It's kinda scary. I'm nervous!" Kathy's start in acting was in the school play "The Choir" in which she

played a love sick woman.

In the musical Kathy sings, dances and acts as a millionaire's daughter who has no boy friend so she makes one up and tells all of her friends that her boy friend sends her letters from Paris. She does find one, though, and the play ends happily.

Kathy commented with her blue eyes glowing that she enjoys acting. "Learning to speak with a British accent was hard but kinda fun," she said. When asked if she might pursue acting as a career, Kathy replied, "Possibly. I know that I will tryout for future plays; and I can hardly wait to get to the new school. It will have so much better facilities for dramatics."



Annette Adams
Sandra Alderson
Angelique Anderson
Sandra Ashenfelter
William Ballou
Donald Barker
Charles Barksdale
Phillip Barksdale

Douglas Adkins
Keith Allen
Craig Anderson
Angela Atkins
Charles Bane
Arnold Barksdale
Daniel Barksdale
Velvet Barksdale

Bob Albertson
Stephen Allen
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Sheila Bass

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Robert Allnutt
Tim Anderson
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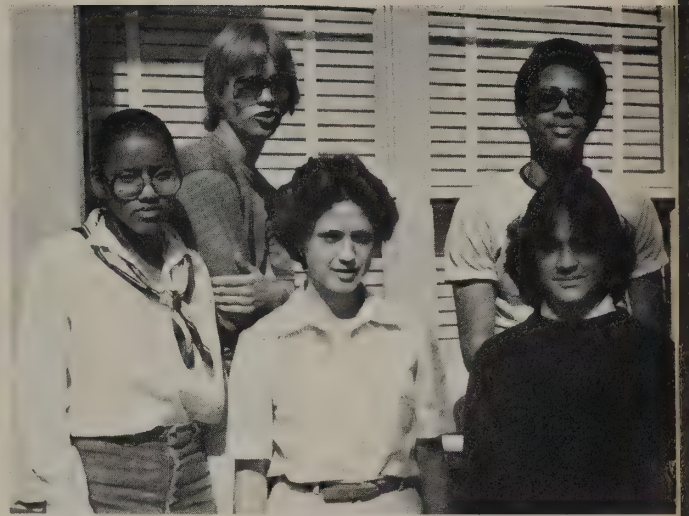
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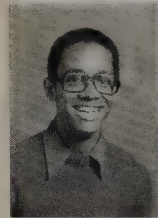
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Lora Bowling



Sophomore officers. (Standing) Sheila Coleman, sergeant-at-arms; Dawn Yeatts, vice-president; Amy Hudson, treasurer; (seated) Billy Bowes, president; Terry Coles, treasurer.



Julie Bowman
Cathy Boyd
Rhonda Boyd
Teresa Boyd
Daphne Bradley
Bernard Bradshaw
Alonzo Brandon
James Brandon



James M. Brandon
Charlie Branscome
Aaron Britton
William Britton
Diana Brockenbury
Diane Brooks
Jennifer Brooks
Mitchell Brooks



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Charles Burton
Mary Burton
Debbie Butler
Jamie Byrd
Larry Caddle
Hester Cage
Regina Cannon



Pat Carey
Connie Carden
George Carden
James Carden
Sharon Carden
Harold Carmichael
James Carrington
Suzette Carrington



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Holt Carter
Della Chandler
Jo Jo Chandler
Scott Chandler
Tony Chaney
Nancy Chappell
Sheila Chappell



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Christopher Cheeks Jr.
Leroy Childress
Pamela Church
Dale Clark
Dennis Clark
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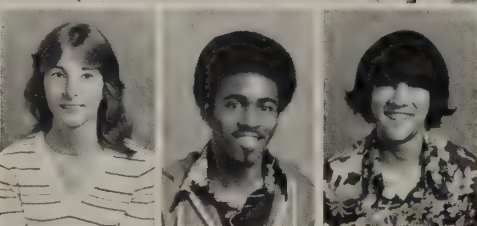
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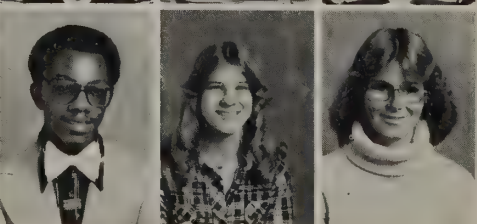
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Wanda Dismuke
Audrey Dixon
David Dixon



James Dixon
Wanda Dixon
Sheila Dyer



Go, team! Gwen Villines cheers for the JV basketball team during their contest with GW. The

cheerleaders practiced every Wednesday after school during the basketball season.

It gets cold on those late afternoons at the games



Perfect form. Lynn Snead, Kathy Switzer, Susan Plaster and Terri Satterfield execute a cheer

perfectly during a time-out of the Charlottesville JV game on the Comet court.

April 10, 1978: a day ten sophomore girls will not forget, for they were chosen then as the junior varsity cheerleading squad.

The days after were filled with long hours of practicing, money making events for the Booster Club, the selling of spirit items, clinics and, of course, cheering for teams.

In August Kathy Switzer, Terri Satterfield, Susan Plaster, Lynn Snead, Carla Scott, Michelle Gravitt, Libby Phillips, Michelle Davidson, Kathy Lawson and Gwen Villines reported to the stadium to begin their daily practices. By the start of football season the girls were ready.

During the season the cheerleaders' job was not only to cheer for the team, but also to work at varsity games where they passed out programs, sold Booster Club spirit items,

sold raffle tickets and helped the varsity cheerleaders serve refreshments at half time to the visiting cheering squads.

During basketball season the work increased. Not only were they cheering for boys' JV games and working at the varsity games, they were also required to cheer for the girls' JV team.

Kathy Switzer, basketball captain, said, "It was great. I loved it!" Kathy then smiled and said, "except when the varsity girls ordered us around." Susan Plaster and football captain Terri Satterfield agreed that being a JV cheerleader was something they would remember always.

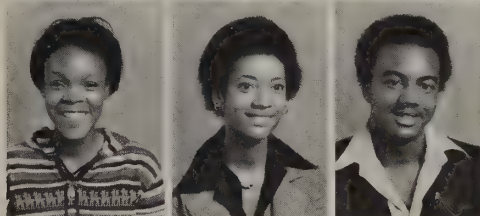
After all, you don't forget those cold late afternoons at the games when you were glad you could jump, shout and turn cartwheels. It helped keep you warm.



Cecil Dunnaway
James Dunaway
Debbie Dodson



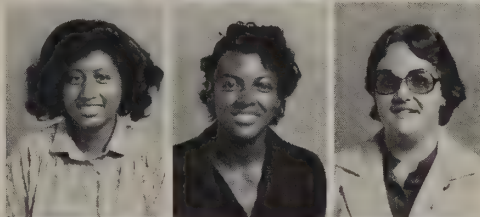
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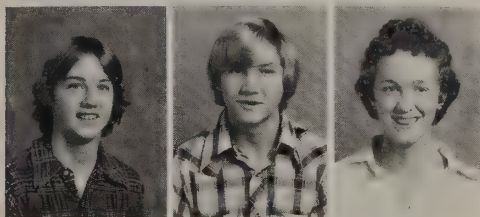
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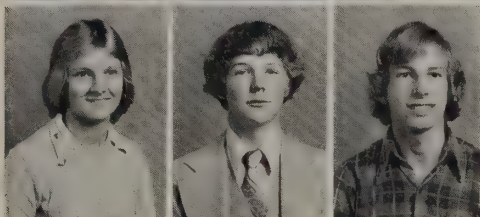
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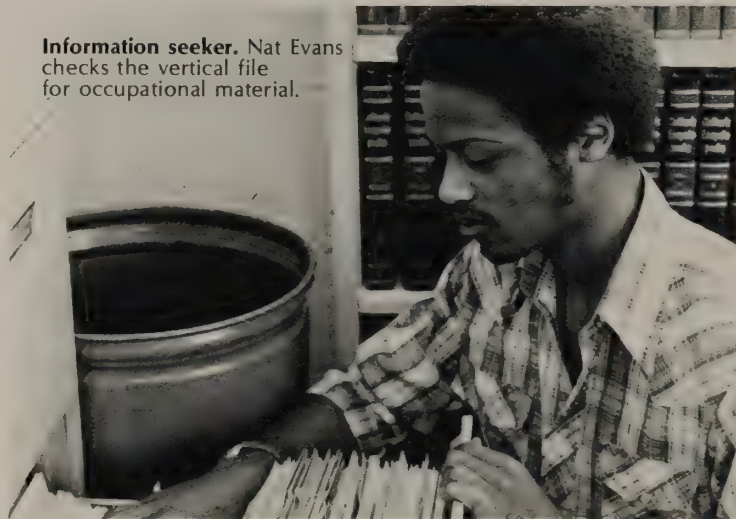
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Nathaniel Evans, Jr.



Teresa Evans
Calvin Fallen
James Farley

A-V program introduces sophomores to library

Information seeker. Nat Evans checks the vertical file for occupational material.



For the first time in the library's history, the staff presented the sophomores with an audio-visual orientation program at the beginning of the school year. Mrs. Frances Hellmuth said that in previous years the students felt as if they were being treated immaturely, being led around the library on a guided tour. So the new program was created.

The sound and slide show was prepared by the library staff in correlation with the A-V Department. Mrs. Hellmuth likes the multi-media approach

because the students are in the classroom, and they are not walking around in the library where they can be distracted.

Robbie Simmons, a sophomore, commented, "I thought it was a well-prepared program." The fifteen minute slide show introduced the librarians, showed how to use the "Readers Guide," explained how to use a Xerox machine and the microfilm reader and emphasized the importance of the A-V Department.



Edgar Farmer
Constance Faulkner

Lisa Farmer
Dorothy Faulkner

Wanda Farmer
Jacqueline Faulkner

Jimmy Farmer
Jimmy Ferguson

Charlene Faulkner
Kathy Ferguson



Angela Ferrell
Randy Fisher
Charlie Francis
Mark Frank
Earnest Garner
Al Glass
Jerrell Good
Michelle Gravitt

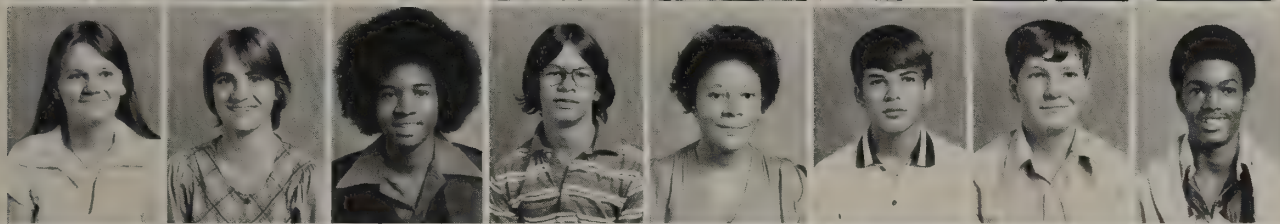
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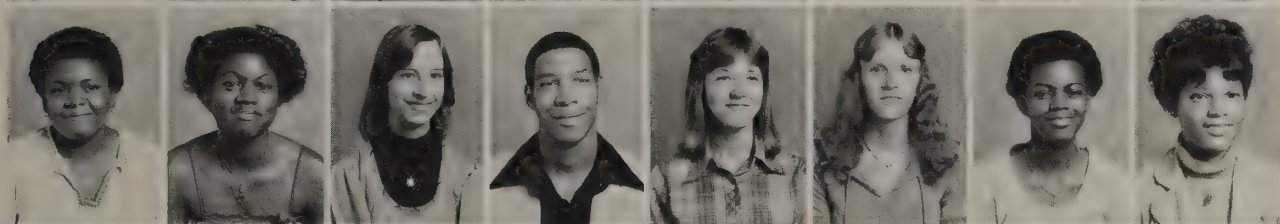
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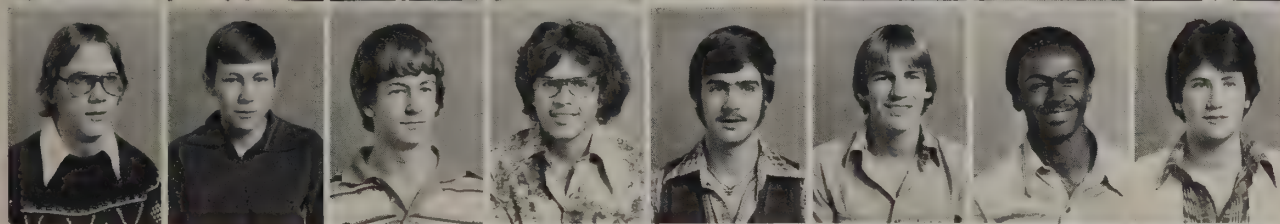
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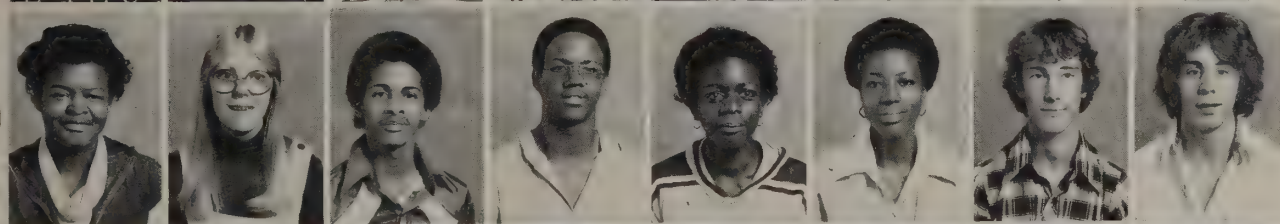
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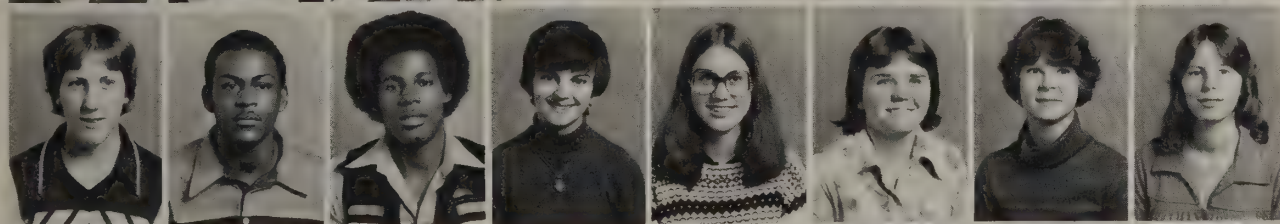
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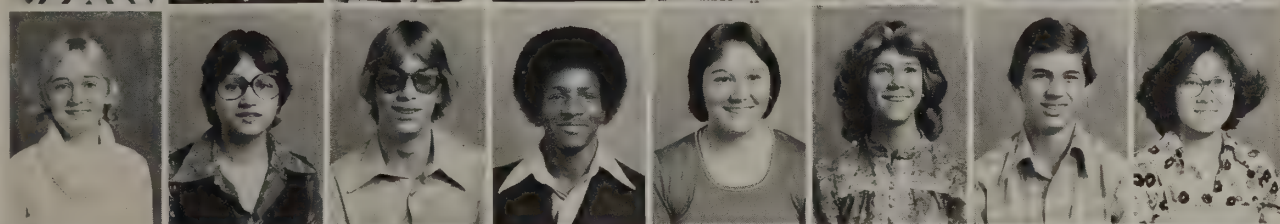
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Michael Hutcherson
Beth Inge



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Mark James
Annette Johnson
Brenda Johnson
Chip Johnson
Keith Johnson



Craig Jones
Gene Jones
Joseph Jones
Lisa Keaton
Lisa Kinard
Christal King
Tammy King
Donna Lacks



Nancy Lacks
Trudy Lacks
Charley Lambrecht
James Lane
Kim La Prade
Kathryn Lawson
Alan Lawter
Susan Lee



De Noris Leigh
Joe Leigh
Janet Lester
Barry Lewis
Calvin Lewis
Roberta Lewis
Scott Lewis
Bobby Ligon

Sheri Loftis
Larry Logan
Linda Logan



Barry Long
Wanda Long
Woody Long



Bessie Lovelace
Michael Lowery
Sandra Lowery



Thomas Lowery
Bonnie Martin
Brenda Martin



Elizabeth Martin
Laura Martin
Mitchell Martin



Teresa Martin
Roderick McCargo
Sylvia McLaughlin



Cathy Medley
Jean Medley
Rita Medley



Tony Milan
Debra Miller
Pam Miller



Robert Miller
Stacey Miller
John Millhiser



'Behind-the-wheel' is the favorite part of driver's ed.



Driver training. Missy Slate is preparing for the biggest thrill for most sophomores, receiving

a driver's license. Behind-the-wheel training is enjoyed more than the "book" sequence.

Is driver's education a help or hassle? This is a question often asked by sophomores.

Driver's ed. is taught in two parts; a book part which is taught for one six weeks period in P.E., and a four-week behind-the-wheel program.

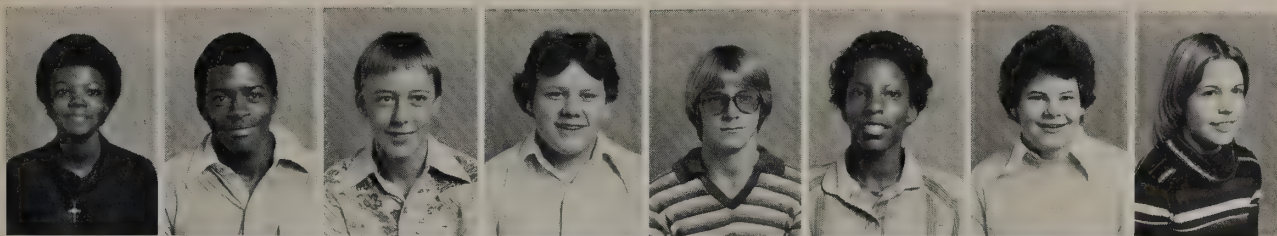
The general opinion among sophomores is that the book part is useless. "I really didn't learn anything in the book," said Robbie Simmons. "However," Robbie said, "the behind-the-wheel was better. The instructors are good and I learned a lot." Myra Daniel felt that the book part was "boring and didn't like it. It was just a bunch of rules and regulations." Ronnie Moore says, "I didn't learn anything in the book but I'm looking forward

to behind-the-wheel."

Even though some student didn't like the book part, or felt they didn't learn anything, Michelle Boulden thought the book was "good." She enjoyed it and felt that she learned a lot.

Instructors can relate funny situations that occur during behind-the-wheel. Mr. Tyrone Powell, driver's ed. instructor, remembers an instance when a student was taking behind-the-wheel on the road. Mr. Powell said, "A transfer truck passed the girl, and she took her hands off the steering wheel and cried!"

Mr. Powell says that the majority of students who take driver's ed. get their license in one or two tries. So he feels driver's ed. is a help.



Joyce Millner
Randolph Mitchell
David Moody
Ellis Moore
Ronnie Moore
Shirley Moore
Margaret Moorefield
Donna Morris



Glenda Morris
Kenneth Morris
Vivian Morris
Kelly Murdock
Donald Murphy
Wayne Murphy
Bill Murray
Michael Murray



David Nelson
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Theresa New
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Mike Nichols
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Ralph Oliver



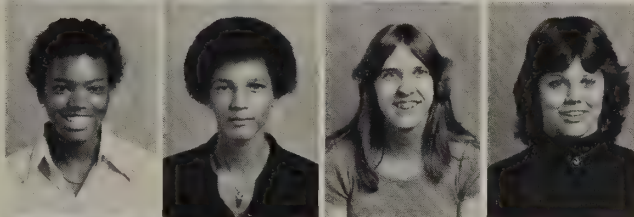
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Henry Palmer



Teresa Palmer
Agnes Pambid
Bessie Patrick
Veronica Payne
Timmy Peade
Ricky Peck
Carolyn Penick
Frances Penick



Dirty work. Alonzo Brandon is one of the few sophomores who cleaned up after the Junior-Senior Prom.



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Warren Penick
Donna Perkins
Janet Perkins



Rebecca Perkins
Robin Perkins
Libby Phillips
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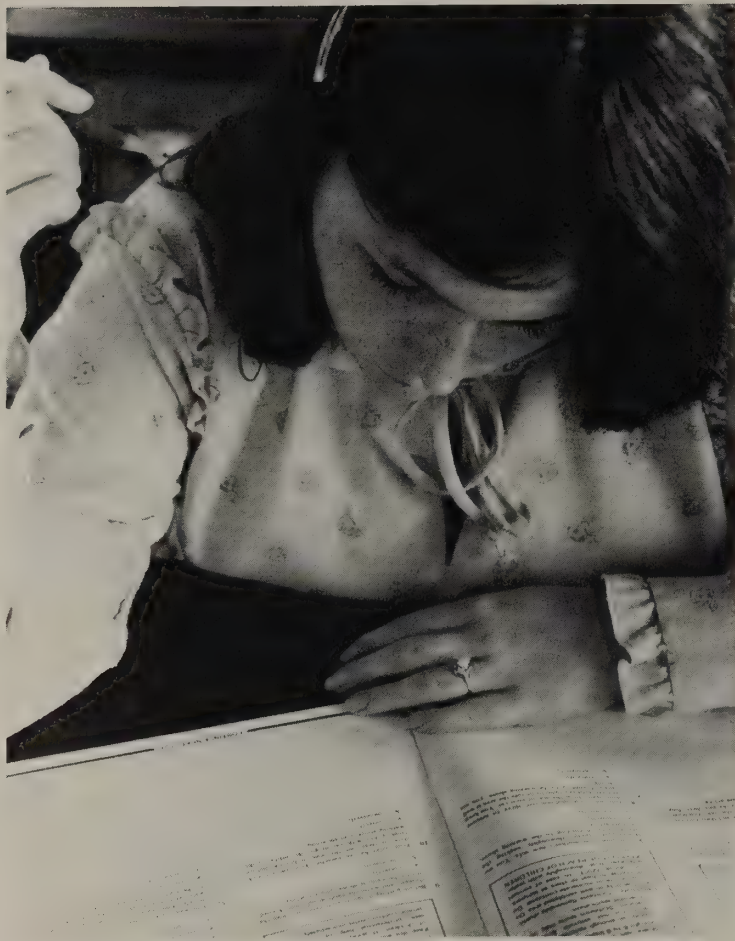


Susan Plaster
Crystal Pleasants
Laura Poindexter
Waverly Pointer



Kimberly Poole
James Popek
Charles Poteat
Earlene Powel

Two pencils, scratch paper, competency required for test



Concentration. Sophomore Dorothy Wentzel puzzles over a question on her competency test in reading. A

Bring two pencils and scratch paper and meet in the cafeteria at 9:00 o'clock was what sophomores heard over the P.A. the day before taking the competency test given to the sophomores in the fall.

Mr. Larry Clark, vice-principal said, "The tests were given to the students because the state legislature passed a law saying students graduating in the year of 1981 would have to pass competency tests in reading and math."

"My hands shook a little, but I managed to keep them under control when the answer sheet and test booklet were passed out," Geraline Glass said.

Students had to score a 70

passing grade was 70 on the test required of all sophomores by the State Board of Education.

on both the reading and math part to pass. If a student failed one or both parts of the test, he could make that part up in the spring of the year.

Results showed that 79.4 percent of the students passed the reading part and 84 percent passed the math part.

"I am not sure if the test will be given both in the fall and spring of the following years because the State Board hasn't made a final decision," Mr. Clark said.

"Passing the competency test is one thing I no longer have to worry about; now getting 18 credits is my goal," Geraline said with a smile.



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David Rather
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Susan Sanders

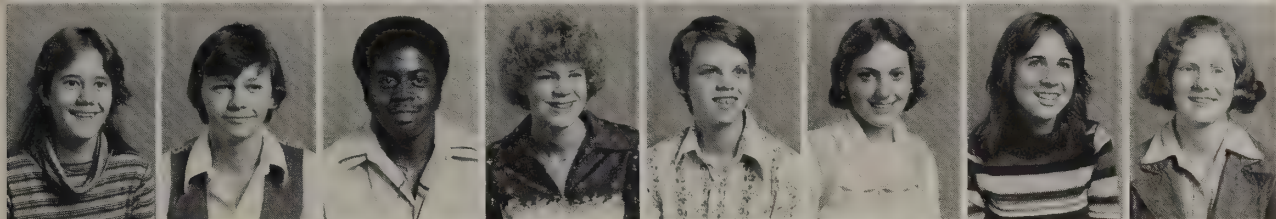
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Mark Ridgeway
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Michael Satterfield

Daniel Pruitt
Brennetta Ragsdale
Bobby Ratliff
James Reaves
Jonathan Richardson
Freddie Robertson
Johnna Sadler
Terrie Satterfield



Vicki Satterfield
Bert Saunders
Dale Saunders
David Saunders
Timmy Saunders
Gerald Searce
Carla Scott
Sandy Scott



Sheila Scott
Ira Seamster, III
William Senior
Kelly Sheffield
Ryland Shortt
Kimberly Shotwell
Arlene Sibley
Robbie Simmons



Cynthia Slate
Sandra Slayton
Vena Slayton
Dale Smith
Jean Smith
Mark Smith
Donna Snead
Joyce Snead



Lynn Snead
Mark Snead
Rhonda Snead
Anthony Spencer
Tommy Spencer
Alvin Spruill
Leon Squire
Douglas Stallings



Tewanda Stanfield
Trent Stanfield
Grant Stanley
Roger Stanley
Kathy Stevens
Mary Stevens
Wesley Stewart
Ann Stillman



Scott Stillman
James Sweeney



Catherine Switzer
Lynn Talbott



Graduation pending. Sophomores for the first time were required to take competency tests, checking their abilities in reading and math. Passing the test is a graduation requirement.

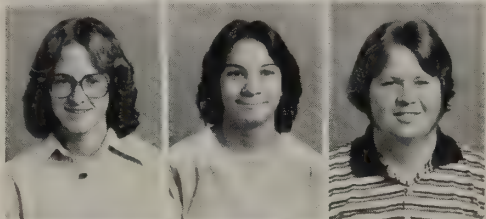
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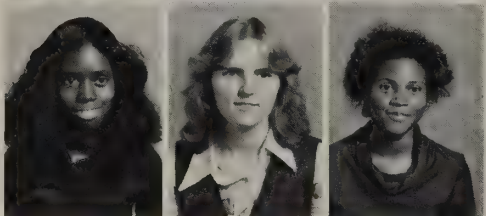
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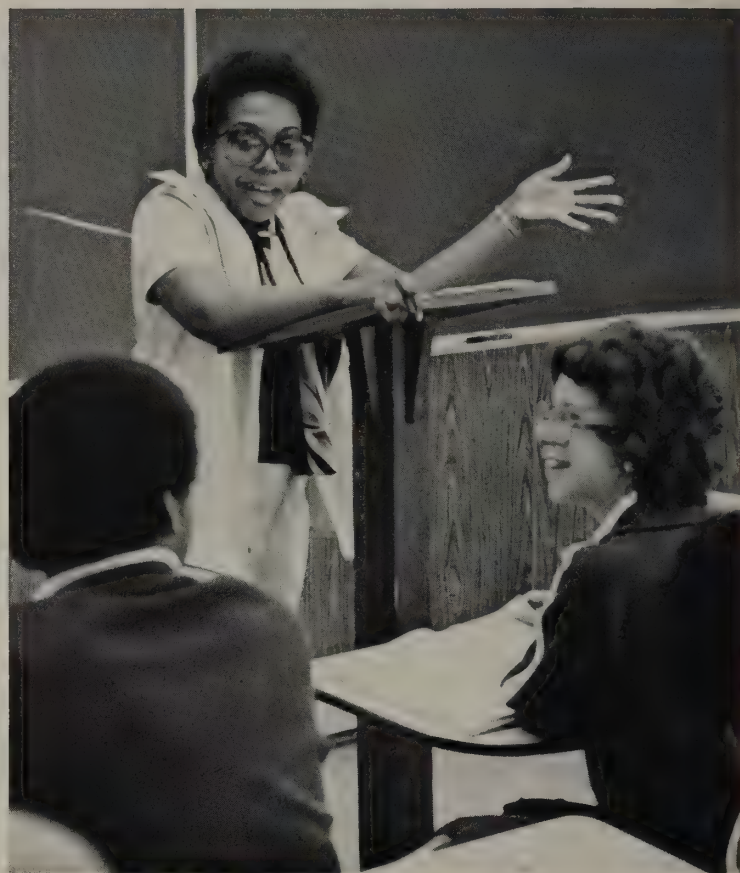
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Adam Turner
Margaret Vaughan
Sammy Vaughan



Sophomores: they are different in the classroom



Animated teacher. Miss Shiann Price explains a part of "Julius Caesar" to her sophomore English

class as Beth Davis enjoys the humor in the first scene between the tribunes and the commonsers.

Eager, frightened and anxious to get started in a new environment are the words that Miss Shiann Price, tenth grade English teacher, uses to describe sophomores on their first day of school. She says that they are very proud to have finally reached the senior high level.

After coming from the junior high school, sophomores must not only adjust to a new building but also to the quarter system. Miss Price explains that there are further adjustments to be made in the sophomore year, such as the rules, and the students must realize that there is no "playing around" in class.

While teaching tenth graders all year, Miss Price has noticed that they tend to be

rule conscious and text book conscious. Her students seem to show disappointment in themselves if they do not achieve the grade that they wish for on different types of graded materials.

The major difference between seniors and sophomores, Miss Price says, is that seniors realize the importance of studying because they are preparing to graduate. By the end of the year, most sophomores know that they must study to stay out of summer school.

As the end of the year approaches, sophomores are beginning to look forward to the next year when they will advance up the ladder and become juniors.



Wanda Vaughan
Gwen Villines
Billy Wade
Josephine Walker
Donna Waller
Gary Wallen
Lalita Waller
Anthony Walton

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Norman Walton
Tony Walton
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Tina Watkins
Bertha Ward
John Warren

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Gayle Watts
Barry Webb
Charles Webster
Priscilla Welch
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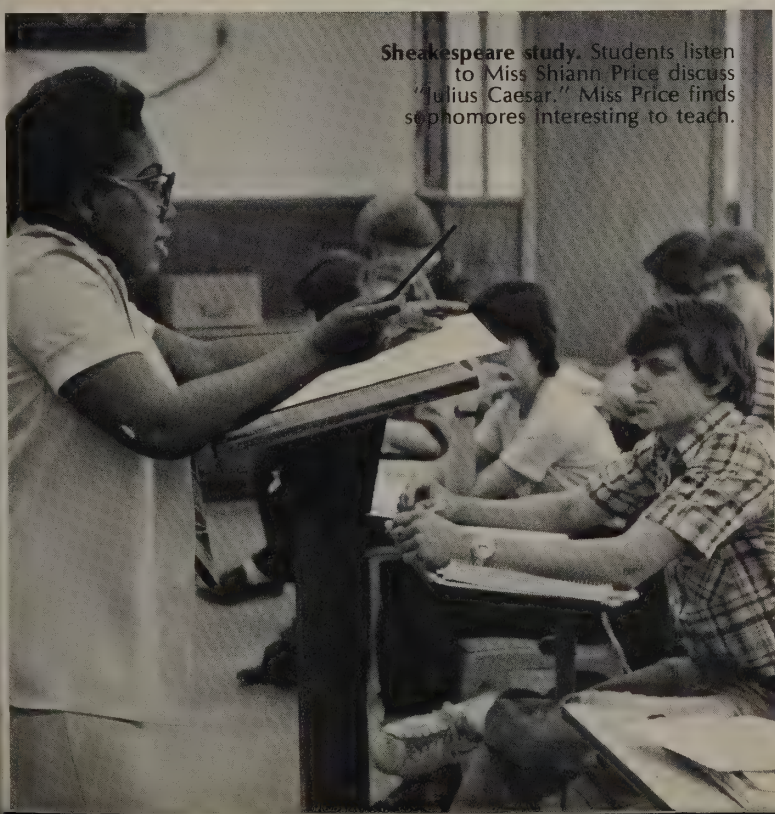
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John Williams
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Herman Wilson
Johnnie Wilson
Shelby Wilson
Sandra Womack
Sandra Wood
Margaret Wooding

Tiny Wooding
Barbara Woody
Thomas Woosley

Anna Wright
Jane Wyatt
Carolyn Yancey

Dawn Yates
Margaret Young
Rhonda Young



Shakespeare study. Students listen to Miss Shiann Price discuss "Julius Caesar." Miss Price finds sophomores interesting to teach.

Pretty spot. Taking a break from shopping, Carolyn Clements, Debra Anderson and Victoria Medley rest in the South Boston Bank's courtyard.





COMMUNITY

A school is a part of two communities. The first one is its own, bound by the school walls, its people, clubs and activities. The second one is larger, bound by its geographical area. Where would the first be without the second? The larger community, Halifax and South Boston, of course, looks forward to the new school; but it was also interested in what went on in classes this year. It came to our football games, bought our candy, helped with our club projects and gave us afterschool jobs. So, you see, for both communities it was more than a goodbye year.

The first
depends
on the
second

Many active clubs
in the school community
advertise in the yearbook

Club and patron support



Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y. Senior members of the clubs are (**first row**) Dirk Brown, Kurt Lambrecht, Tom Ferguson, Chancie Crowder, Mark Schreffler, Ed Pittard, Happy Patterson, Steve Bandy, (**second row**)

Holly Neece, Frances Rebick, Amanda Farmer, Cindy Guthrie, Holly Barden, Annette Saunders, Lisa Kipps, Annette Ingram, Laura Abenes.

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Mr. William P. Guthrie

Miss Kimberly Spence

Mrs. Martha M. Penick

Mr. Jack Dunavant

Mrs. Jack Dunavant

Mr. and Mrs. Lester L. Dillard

We've purposely left a lot of space on this page
in your yearbook for your friends to sign here.

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DECA: the Club of DE



Waiting around. Some DECA officers chat before the annual DECA Employer-Employee Banquet. DECA

students also received and gave awards that night.



Number one! Kelly Wilson accepts the award for DECA Student of the year from Mr. Sam Riddle, DECA ad-

viser. Kelly was chosen because of her unselfish and outstanding contributions to the club.



New officers. The 1979-80 DECA officers are Lynn Puryear, Kim Allen, Harvey Spencer, (back row) Allen Covington, Karen Hughes and Elizabeth Farmer.



The best! Mr. William L. Childrey, Manager of Winn Dixie, is presented a plaque as the DECA Employer of the Year by outgoing DECA president Kelly Wilson.

DECA — The Club it's fun to be a member of



(Front Row) William C. Moore, James Burton, Alan Long, Steve Wilbourn, Kevin Watts, Pollard Waller, Buddy Bernard, Terry Henderson, Cindy Hudson, Gwen Jones, Paula Irby, Sharon Whitt, Peggy Hatcher, and Lisa Hite, (second row) Mary Jane Hudson, Pam Ratliff, Sharon Soloman, Tammy Church, Dolores Cabaniss, Denise Thompson, Annette Ingram, Lisa Murray, Jill Glasscock, Tammy Stevens, Cindy Rice, Jeff Toler, Jim Albright, (third row) Susan Womack, Charlene Womack, Ann Hazelwood, Debbie Coon, Betty Nichols, Donna Garner, Valinda Tucker, Tina Tucker, Rhonda Palmer, Brenda Traynham, Angela Snead, Michael Shaver, and John Kelly, (fourth row) Angie

McAdams, Cheryl Link, Wanda Dixon, Cindy Hughes, Dean Jones, Phillip Saunders, Mark Dillon, Brian Williamson, Alphonzo Powell, Bruce Stevens, Steve Short, and Tony Chaney, (fifth row) Mike Rowe, Warren Lowery, Jessie Landrum, Kelvin Carden, Martin Daniel, Henry Buchanan, Thomas Logan, Robin Conner, Otis Owen, and David Barksdale, (sixth row) Janice Hayes, Michael Saunders, Ray Sydnor, Tereas K. Conner, Sheila Brown, Sharon Turner, Carter Satterfield, Phillip Whitt, Fran Jackson, Timony Lacks, (seventh row) Curtis Heath, Charlotte Fisher, Pam Sibley, Mark Bomar, Watkins Meadowes, Charlie Owen and Donald Ligon.

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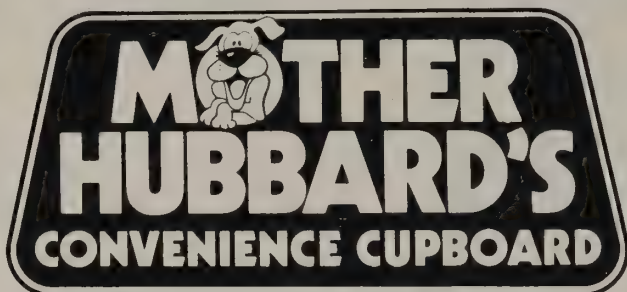
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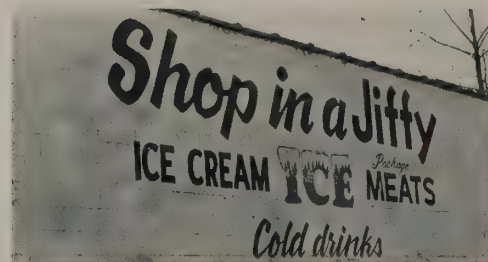
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How did they get here?

By Susan Inge

How did they get here? There were different means of transportation for both students and teachers. Among these ways were riding the bus, driving a car, riding with someone else, driving a bus, driving a motorcycle, riding a bicycle and walking.

The majority of the students rode buses to school. According to Vice-principal Mr. Harry Wilson, there were 65 buses that transported students to the senior high. The common reason students gave for riding the bus was that they had no other way. Kathy West, Angela Burns and Rhonda Snead all agreed with Rosa Barksdale when she said, "I usually rode the bus because there was no other way, unless I walked."

Another reason for riding the bus was to conserve gas. Richard Wilkerson said, "I rode the bus to school because I live

25 miles away and it cost too much for gas."

Another conserver, Cheryl Chandler, said, "I rode the bus because I felt that it would help on the gas shortage and why should someone turn down any opportunity to save?"

Kelly Nichols said, "Because I live in the country and gas was so expensive, I had to ride the bus almost every day."

Lavoris Whitlock said, "I rode the bus because it helped me to economize on gas for the weekend."

Several other reasons for riding the bus were that the students didn't have their driver's license and it would save their parents the trip of taking them to school.

Another popular form of transportation was driving to school. Approximately four hundred students drove to school. There were three park-

ing lots provided for the students. One of the parking lots was paved and the other two graveled. It was considerate for the school to provide parking facilities, but one of the most common grievances heard at school was about the upkeep of the parking lots.

One of the reasons for students driving to school was that they left after lunch to go to work. Sport Guthrie said, "I drove so I could go home after fourth period and work." Also, John Hall, Sharon Gentry, Ledon Chappell, Charlene Womack, Dennis Roller and

Joey Piechota agreed that the reason that they drove was that they left after fourth period to go to work. "When I didn't drive, I rode with Dennis Roller. I drove because I leave at one-twenty. I also like driving to school because I got there early. This gave me a chance to talk and catch up on homework," commented Mike Snead.

Many other students had the same idea as Mike Snead about driving to school; they enjoyed the freedom of arriving and leaving when it was

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convenient to them. Commenting on freedom, Kenny Word said, "I drove to school everyday because I could get to school early in the morning and catch up on homework. I got out early and I was able to do anything I wanted without worrying about riding the bus. I guess driving to school gave me a sense of freedom." Cindy Guthrie said, "Patrica Popek and I took turns driving to school. Arriving at school early gave me a chance to catch up on the gossip."

When Patty Skerl was asked the question "How did you get to school and why?" she answered, "I drove to school fast because I never got up in time."

Many students "caught" rides with other students. Holly Neece's reason for this was, "I rode to school with a friend because it was less crowded than riding the bus." Amanda Farmer said, "I rode to school with a friend so I wouldn't have to walk to school." Wayne Johnson said, "I got to and from school by 'bumming' rides. I went to different places each day so I borrowed rides from many people."

Also, there were twenty-five students that drove buses to school, and many more students were substitute drivers. When Debbie Cook was asked why she drove a bus, she said, "I drove a bus because it was enjoyable. It also paid good." Dale Henderson commented,

"I drove a bus to school because I figured if I had to come why not make money doing it." Most of the other student drivers agreed.

A few drove motorcycles to school. Willie Martin said, "I rode a motorcycle to school for it was fun and exciting."

Occasionally students rode bicycles to school. Gerald Goode's reason for riding a bike was he had rather ride a bicycle than a bus and that it was good exercise. Mr. Willie Simmons commented, "I sometimes rode my bicycle because it helped to wake me up in the morning, and it was a good way to relieve tension in the afternoon."

Furthermore, many students and teachers came to school by walking. This was impossible for those that lived in the county, but it was done by many that lived in the surrounding neighborhood of the school. One teacher who also stayed in shape by jogging walked from her home on Peach Avenue to school which is over two miles.

Ms. Vickie Riley said, "I walked to school for exercise and for fun. I was able to organize my thoughts for the day in the time it took me to get to school." Study hall supervisor Ms. Janet Johnson said, "I walked every day for the exercise and to conserve energy and my car." Coach Martha Avery said, "I walked to school because I enjoy walking." Mark Schreffler, Mollie Robinson and Tamra Overton said that they walked to school because they lived next door.

There were many means of traveling for students and teachers, but the most popular was driving or riding the bus.



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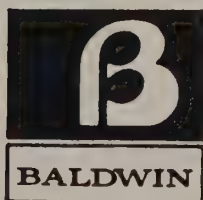
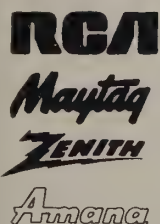
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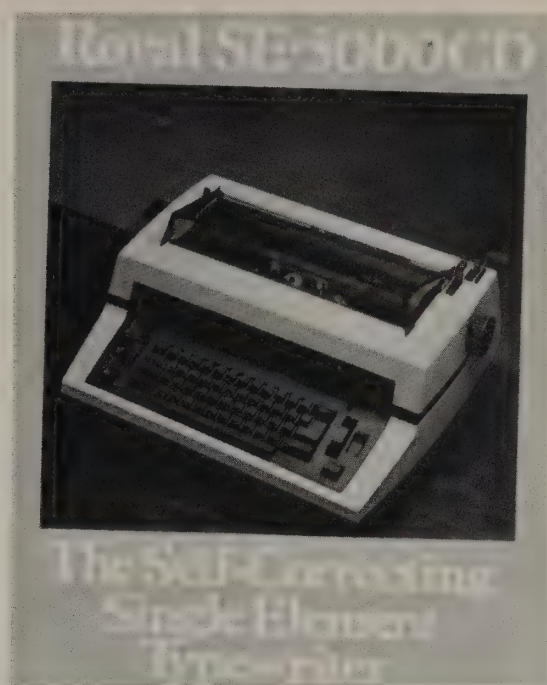
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Friday, May 25: a typical night

By Susan Hudson

On Friday, May 25: a typical Friday night in the Halifax County area. But wait a minute. What is a typical Friday night in Halifax County like?

For those who wanted to "go places," there were sporting events, drive-ins, discos, theaters and restaurants. A popular Friday night hangout among juniors and seniors was Rose's Beef 'n' Pizza.

"About 9:30 we went to Rose's Beef 'n' Pizza," a senior remembered. "We stayed there a while, talking to some friends and drinking beer."

Another senior spent his Friday night at Rose's. "My fabulous Friday night started as soon as I could get home and out of the shower," he said. "My friends and I went to our favorite hangout, Rose's Beef 'n' Pizza."

Yet another senior went to Rose's Beef 'n' Pizza just to see who was there. Later he and a friend went riding around town only to return to Rose's.

The most popular sophomore activity was attend-

ing the various baseball and softball games throughout the county. A smattering of juniors also went but very few seniors. "Before the game I stood around in the freezing cold wrapped up in a quilt," said a junior. "During the game, I yelled and screamed my lungs out for my boyfriend's team."

Another favorite Friday night pastime was disco dancing. South Boston's disco, the Village Inn, was visited by at least one senior. "I worked at McDonald's last Friday and went to the Village Inn after work," he said.

One junior dancer preferred the sights and sounds of the Buffalo Springs Inn near Clarksville. "After having a few drinks we decided to go to Buffalo Springs Inn and shake a leg," she recalled adding, "Everyone in the world was there and the band was just great!"

Another junior went to the Buffalo Springs Inn but not to dance. "I sat in the smoky recesses of Buffalo Springs Inn drinking a beer in the corner of the building."

Movies were a Friday night favorite too. "Last Friday night my date and I went downtown to see the movie "Silver Streak," one student said, "It was really funny."

Other movie fans visited too the fabulous Sinia West Drive-in. "There, with my buddy," a

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were Pappa G's and the Pizza Hut.

Many students had to go to work on Friday night. One junior who claimed to have made 1,000 hamburgers "got covered with grease from head to toe".

"I went to work at 4:00," a student said. "When I got off at 12:00, I was too tired to go out so I went home."

Another student was "stuck in the house babysitting, of all things!"

"I got harassed by a customer when I pressed the wrong drawer for my cash register," a senior lamented. "Then I dropped a chocolate milkshake on the floor."

Other students who didn't

want to go out for entertainment created their own fun. "Last Friday night, nothing else was going on so I decided to have a party at my house," a junior said. "As more and more people came by we got louder and rowdier until a neighbor eventually called the sheriff's department."

A sophomore had a rather novel idea: "My brother and sister and I played 'Simon Says' in the living room to fast music."

Another sophomore "locked all the doors and turned the music up blasting for about three or four hours."

A popular stay-at-home pastime on Friday night was watching television. Most stu-

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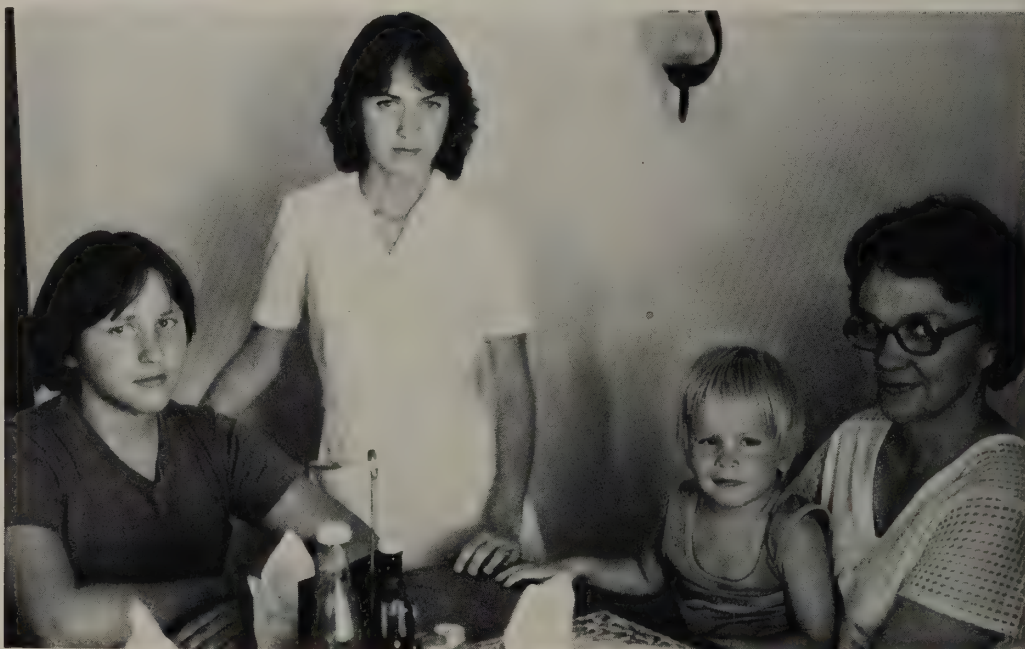
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Friday night activities range from cruising to staying at home

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dents tuned in "The Dukes of Hazard" and "Dallas". Other students played card games or invited friends over. A few people even managed to study or do homework!

Some special events also occurred on Friday, May 25. McCanless United Methodist Church hosted a Youth Rally for area youth. A senior who at-

tended said, "We played volleyball and had a cookout. Following this we had the rally." The senior commented that it was "a great time of fellowship and a whole lot of fun. Instead of constantly partying the youth had good clean fun." The Hi-Y sponsored a trip to Virginia Beach that Friday. A senior who went "almost got picked up," but had a great

time with all the people in the Hi-Y that went.

Mrs. Jeanne Sizemore's voice students gave a recital that night. A few students participated and attended. "At the recital I sang two songs and got nervous as usual." One junior in the audience said, "Everyone was very good. Afterwards, there was a reception and everyone had a great

time!"

That about covers Friday night in Halifax County except for a couple of mysterious students: "What I remember of the night was that we started drinking about six, and from about nine 'til I got home. I don't remember what we did."

The senior was even more evasive: "I went out at 6:45 and returned at 3:00 a.m."



Early start. The Friday night atmosphere begins to hit some students on the way to the buses at 3:10 in the afternoon.

*Fashion conscious students
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Candies and Kleins

By Rhonda Francis

Candies, Calvin Klein, La Costa. These were the popular fashions known and worn by fashion conscious students.

Kathy West and Holly Neece both said they thought Candies were the biggest fashion but said they didn't particularly like them because they looked uncomfortable. Ginger Burnette said she liked the shoes but not for herself. Even though there were some who didn't like Candies for various reasons there were some who

really enjoyed them.

Mrs. Janet Johnson said she loved them and that they were very comfortable while Stephanie Carey commented that they were easy to slip on and off. Francis Rebick stated that she liked them very much also.

When girls wanted to dress up and dreaded the thought of wearing a dress, they wore Calvin Klein jeans and silky blouses with Candies. Girls liked this look. Sarah Dunavant said she liked the Calvin Klein

jeans because they were different and dressy looking.

There were days when people just didn't feel like getting up and getting dressed so those days were the times most students slipped into their jeans or kaki's and a gator shirt with their Docksiders or Nikes and faced the day ahead.

There were some students who had to move into the new fashions of Halifax. Mollie Robinson, who moved here from New Jersey, was one.

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Terry DeShazo in the mandarine collar.



Mollie Robinson, not a preppie.



Thomas Chappell in his own designs.



Wanda Slayton in a "dressy" top.



Shoe Styles. As Sharon Gentry shows Mary Beth Evans one shoe style, Ginger Burnett examines another one.

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Mollie said that one of her biggest worries was that she was afraid her wardrobe that had been perfectly acceptable in New Jersey would not fit in at all in Halifax.

She commented that she was not ready for the 'prep' look, La Costa shirts, Docksidors, and khaki pants which were not part of the standard apparel in New Jersey. The fashion there was more the "hippie" look said Mollie. Her wardrobe consisted of peasant blouses, silver jewelry and India imports. The hair styles were basically the same she said.

The hair styles at Halifax ranged from long to short and straight to curly. Most people had the short blow dry cuts. Body waves and permanents were really big and "Farrah Fawcett" was gone. The majority of the boys wore their hair short and had it feathered back.

There were lots of styles for the girls but boys were fashion conscious also. There were the guys who liked to dress up and there were guys who just put on whatever they picked up

first. Terry DeShazo said he thought the biggest fashion for men were the pointed toe shoes better known as Piere Cardin shoes. The mandarine collar was another big fashion, he commented, and he said he liked both of these fashions because they were "cool" and were very unique. Another fashion for the boys was Chinese collar shirts and baggy pants.

Thomas Chappell commented that he liked those styles



Ann Tyler Edmunds and her add-a-bead necklace.

very much. Thomas dressed to these styles most every day. He also thought double breasted suits and skinny ties were

fashionable. Thomas wore fashionable clothes because he liked them very much. He

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got most of his ideas from magazines such as "Gentlemen's Quarterly" and Menswear." Also he got ideas from the TV show "Soul Train." Thomas also made up many of his fashions on his own, adding that old fashion clothes are fashionable if you fix them up to look nice on you.

Leather jackets and add-a-bead necklaces were fashionable with students. Boys and girls both enjoyed leather jackets. Stephanie Carey commented on the add-a-bead necklaces saying she liked them because you could wear them with anything and you could remember who gave you each bead and for what occasion.

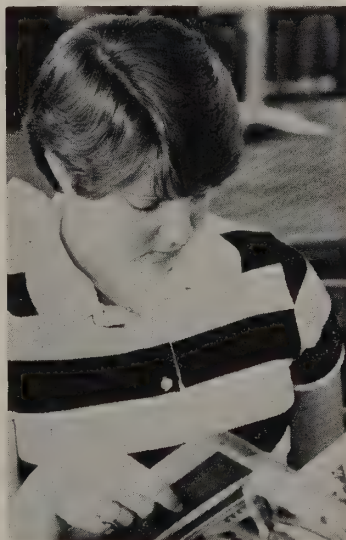
Fashions blended into the big fads of the year such as discos. They seemed to take students off the roads and on the dance floors. They were where students could get dressed up and have a good time. The Bull Pen, Buffalo Springs Inn, Village Inn, J.J.'s and Night Fever were some of the disco's that provided great entertainment for students in the area.

Discoing was the weekend fad but there were the ordinary school day fads such as early morning talking, sharing jokes and laughing together in the lobby. Cliques always gathered in the same place each day and strangers were not allowed on their turf. There were other places friends gathered in the morning such as in front of Miss Ferguson's door. Judy Ray, Nancy Sydnor and Patricia Hubbard usually talked here in the mornings until Miss Ferguson ran them away.

Often as students walked down the halls or outside they found many people with their own radios and tape players. Cheryl Chandler said that lots of people brought these to school so they could dance any spare moment.



Tony Reeves in the popular T-shirt.



Penny Canada wears a terry rugby shirt.

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Most seniors have decided what they are going to do with the rest of their lives. At this point 33 percent will go directly into the workforce, 30 percent will go to a four year college, 19 percent will go to a two year college, and seven percent will go into the military. Some seniors have planned careers, while others are still not sure what they will be studying in school next year. Of course there always are people who know exactly what life holds for them.

"I plan to join the air force," states Martha Diane Hargrove. "I have been looking forward to it for a long time. I want to make something of my life, and I really did not want to go to college. I decided to join the military the first part of the year. They can't take me till August though. I'll go to Texas for basic training. I have signed up for four years and if I like it, I'll stay longer."

Mike Wood is also going to join the air force. "I can learn a

lot and get a good education in the air force in my three year tour of duty." Mike plans to make the air force his career but he feels that if by chance he doesn't like it, he can get out. He will become a security specialist and eventually train in the air traffic control program.

Sharon Gentry asserts, "I plan to move out of Virginia within the next ten years. I plan to remain working at McCollum-Ferrell. Also I hope to be a part time student at Danville Community College where I would like to major in business management. Other plans will be made after I have reached these goals."

"I plan to enroll in Mary Washington College," says Rosemary Eudy, "and I plan to stay there at least four years. My major is still undecided, but it might have something to do with history or computers. I plan to spend my summers at home working on my parents' farm."

Lawson Younger plans to

continue farming. "I have farmed all my life; it's the only real career I've ever thought about. I think that being a farmer is one of the best occupations there is today."

Happy Patterson states, "I plan to work mostly. I'm tired of school, so I don't plan to go to college. I'm sort of thinking about the military. That's an easy job; everything is paid for!"

"I plan to attend Piedmont Technical Institute this fall and buy a bike to tour this summer," says Chris Morris. Jean Lanham asserts, "I plan to get a full time job and get married in June. I hope to have a prosperous and happy, long life."

Lisa Bowers says "I plan to go to Longwood College and major in speech pathology because I enjoy talking to others, and I feel that good

speech is necessary in life. I hope to continue my singing, acting and painting."

"I will attend the University of Virginia in the fall," states Debra Barksdale. "I am planning to major in registered nursing. I may stay in Halifax County to work because I prefer small towns and cities."

"I plan to enroll in DCC for at least one year, and maybe transfer to Virginia Tech. I plan to become an accountant. My summers will be spent home probably working," says Michael Cabaniss.

"I plan to go to Virginia Union University in Richmond," states Elmer Banks. "I will try out for the football team in August. If I don't make it (which I know I will) I plan to get deep into my books. Also for my social life, I will be out at most of the discos in Rich-

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mond. My major in college will be computer science, which is a very good field since everything is run by them now. But most of all, I plan to have fun. I may return to Halifax once in a while!"

Sylvia Delaware says, "I plan to go to work after I graduate, I'm not sure what kind, and I plan to wait awhile before I go into a special field."

Kelly Bomar states, "I'm planning to go to DCC in a drafting and designing program. I plan to get a good job and get married to Melanie Blankenship."

"I'm going to go to work after graduation and then get married to Kelly Bomar," said Melanie Blankenship.

"I plan to attend Averett

College and major in medical technology. I hope to work in Danville Memorial Hospital," Cindy Reeves said.

Otis Owen states, "I'm very grateful to the VICA Club for introducing me into the field of dental technology. It is the best job I've ever had and I plan to continue with it as long as possible. There are so many great opportunities related to this type of work. I work at the Haislip Dental Lab and the people there are just tremendous to work with."

There are other students who know what careers they plan for their lives, such as, Kurt Lambrecht plans to become a nuclear engineer, Monty Epps, a biologist; Cindy Adkins, a fashion designer; Tyree Greene, a physician;



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Kathy West, a certified public accountant and John Carter an engineer.



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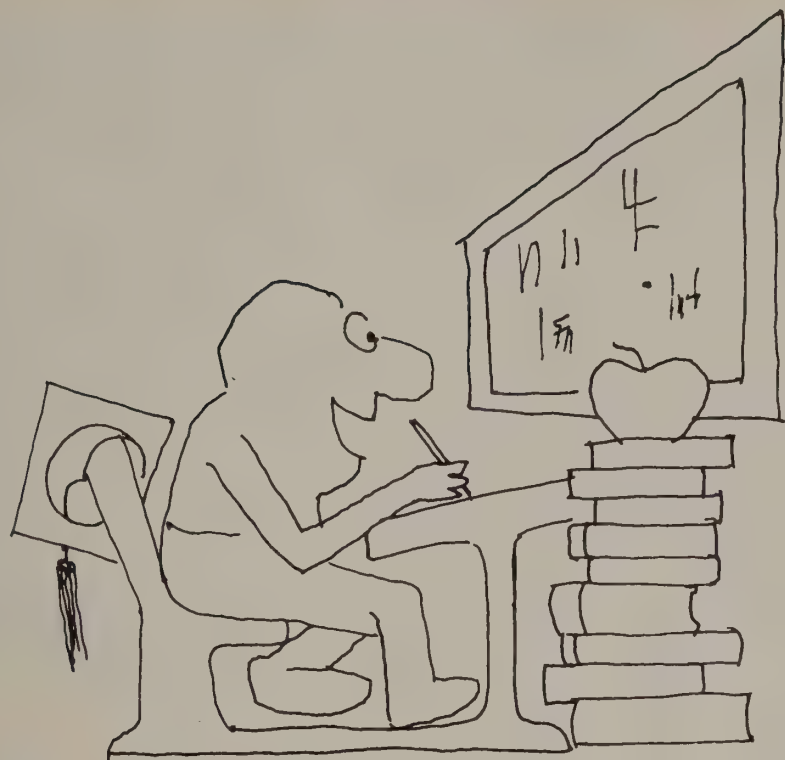
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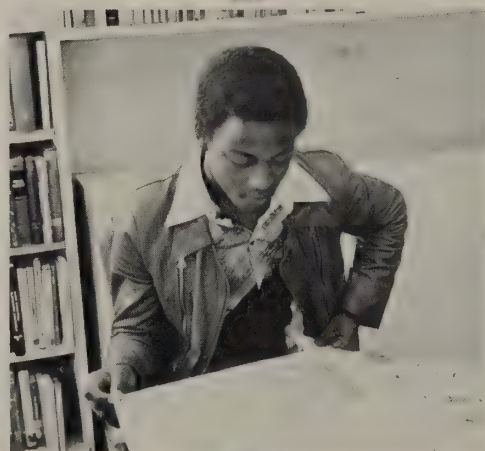
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The last year

1979: it was the last of the '70's, the year of the child and 10 years after the first moon walk. Closer to home, it was the last year that the present building was to be used as a high school. The new, gleaming, white, eleven and one-half million dollar structure would be ready to graduate the proud Class of 1980.

Money crop. Summer work in the tobacco fields occupies Dennis Lewis and many other students.

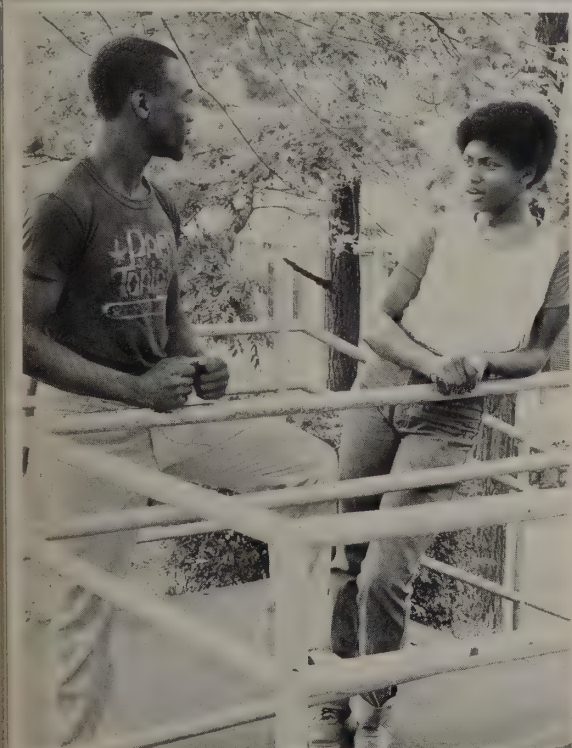


Library break. For Sherman Canada reading the paper is one reason for going to the library.



Top hat. When the JV basketball game gets a little dull, Linda DeCarmen uses her "shaker" as a hat.

Street performance. At the Christmas parade in South Boston, the band's flag corps does its part to usher in the festive season.



Good swing. Bert Saunders takes his turn at bat against GW as the fans and players on the hill enjoy the sun.

T-shirt talk. As Mark Brandon's shirt asks a question, Teresa Smith seems to be debating whether she wants to go or not.



New addition. A fire escape from the band room is one of the spring improvements made to the building.

Contrast. On Fifties Day Tamra Overton wears what a student in the first class here would wear. Joyce Allen sticks to present day styles.



Junior honor. Pinning a ribbon on Todd Dillow is not so easy, Mike Peer discovers at the honor society inductions.

No handicap. Donald Gravitt finds that a crutch is no "crutch" at a dance. He didn't dance but the lobby talk was good.



To a junior such as Susan Hudson, 1979 was filled with experiences. "I helped build my first float, marched in my first Homecoming parade, wrote my first "Star" story and became a new member of several clubs. These firsts were pleasant; others weren't — taking SAT's, writing a term paper and ice skating."

Experiences, good and bad



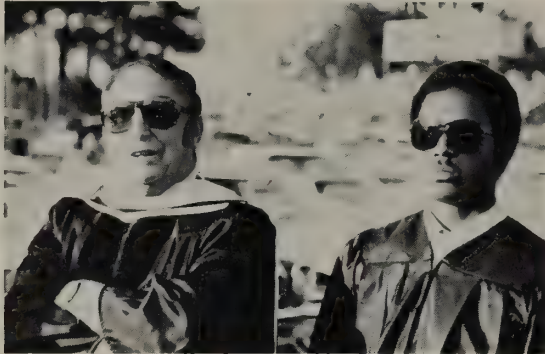
Symbolic hoop. The sign says it all. It was made for the last home game in the gym. Coach John Crittenden waits.

Summer work. On July 4, Judy Glass celebrates by finishing the yearbook's faculty section.

More than a goodbye year

To a senior like Frances Rebick, 1979 was more of the same. "Classes continued, tests were given, people were suspended, lunches were complained about and the days went on."

But no matter in what form or in what way 1979 was shaped in the memories of students, it was, as we have seen in the pages of this book, more than a goodbye year.



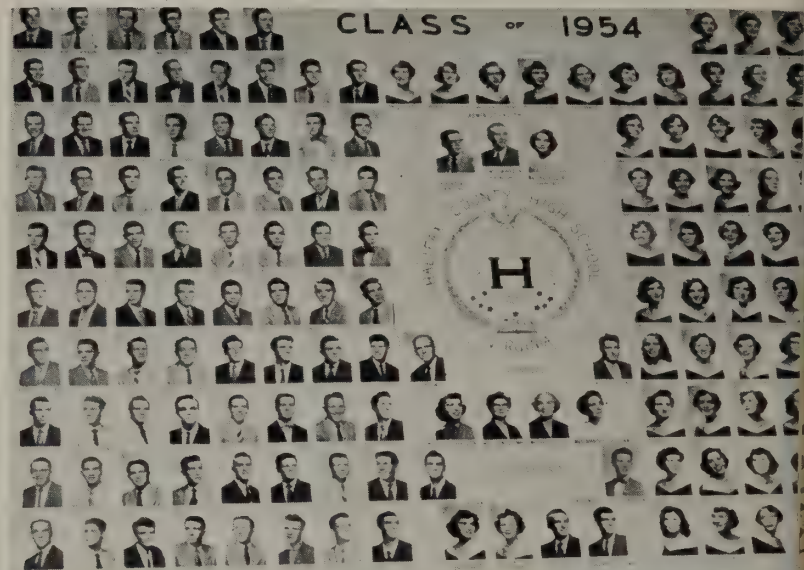
Two cool cats. Both Dr. L. M. Venable and Terry DeShazo wear shades for eye protection while waiting for graduation to begin.



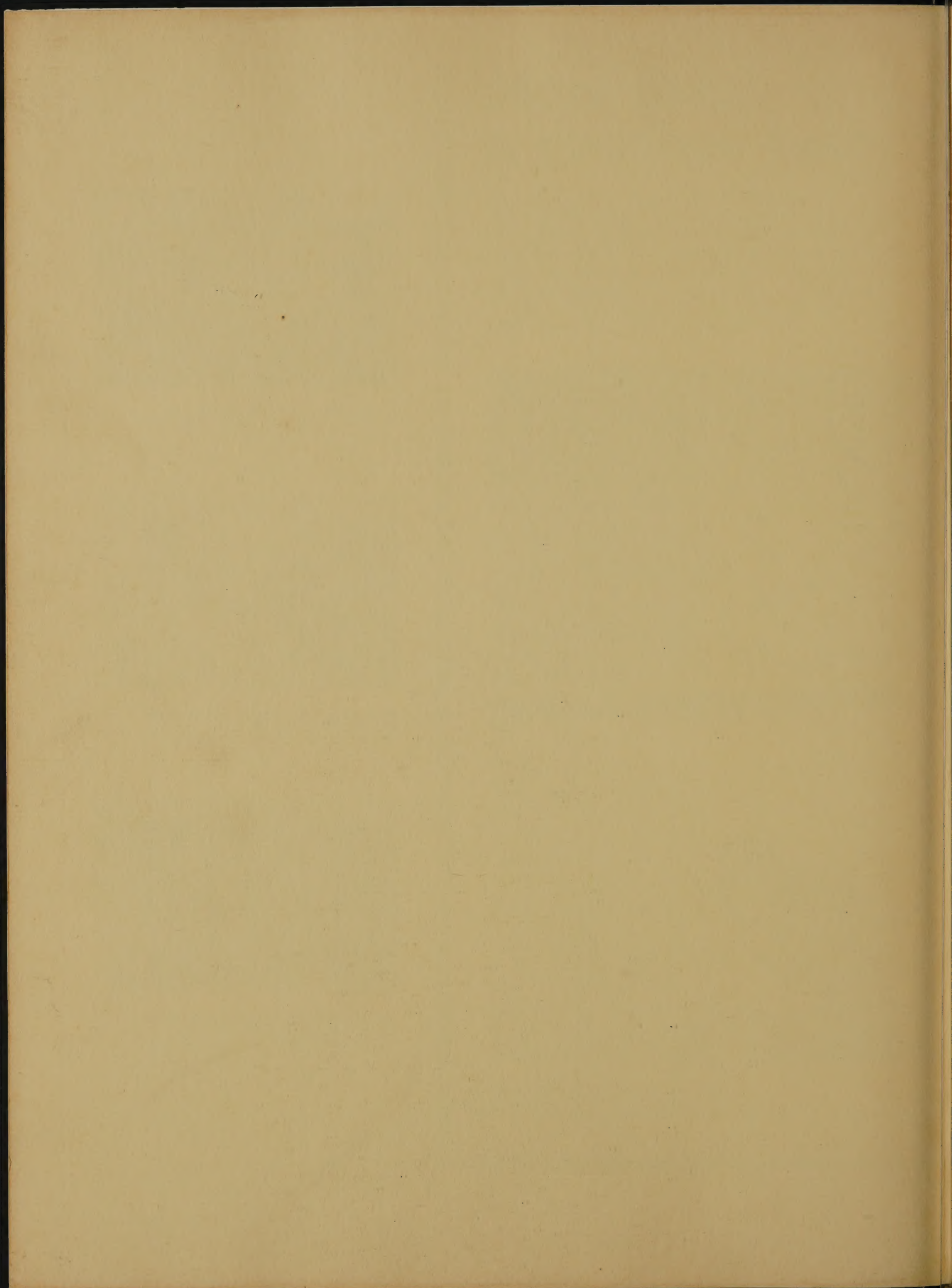
Moving day. On the last day of school, students move furniture from the third floor in preparation for transfer to the new school.



Summer trim. Stanley Wiley mows the new turf on the football field to be used by both the senior and junior highs next year.



Two generations. A 1979 senior, Kelly Nichols stands under the picture of the first HCHS seniors. Her mother was a member of that class.



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